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THE HEADMASTER COMMENTS:

In a newsletter to Old Boys distributed earlier in the year I commented that what our former pupils want to learn most of all about us is whether the school still has spirit. It's a crucial force and on dreary, wet days with nothing other than routine things happening who could be blamed for thinking that school spirit is an illusion cherished by Headmasters, Board Chairmen and loyal Head Boys only? But spirit there certainly is and the proof of it is the school's ability to rally to a cause, its willingness to confront adversity, its readiness to pull together to get a job done: on the one hand to shake off a setback and on the other to celebrate a success. And if there has been a year to test our spirit 1986 has been such a year and the testing has occurred at every level.

Last year we needed to recruit 10 new teachers to cope with transfers, retirements and a growing roll. By November all looked well, despite a national shortage of trained staff, but then Mr Wrigley and Mr Purdy resigned in December and for the duration of 1986 we have had to endure staffing shortages compounded by the loss of Messrs D'Ath and Kibby in Term One and Messrs Fletcher, Clarke and Wright in Term Two. These have been body blows, but we have found replacements and we have absorbed the new staff with the minimum of fuss. It speaks volumes for the spirit of the staff and their professionalism, which was further demonstrated when they refused to participate in a "walk out" — which affected many schools during industrial action in February.

Then the Board of Governors chose to proceed with the new baths on a new site with a new cost of \$200,000. The decision had major consequences for the school in terms of fund-raising. Somehow we had to find \$25,000 in a year of economic recession!

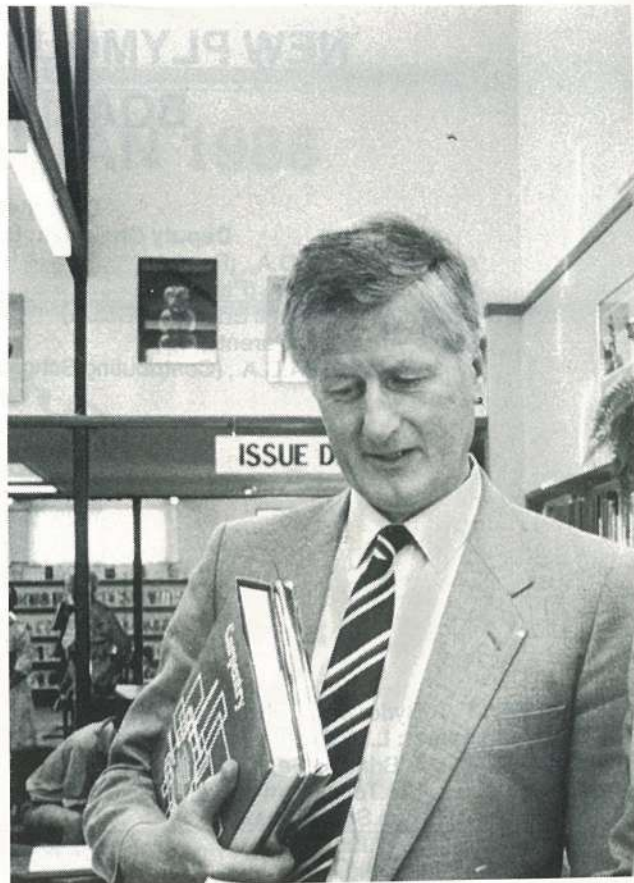
If that wasn't enough, in Term One our domestic hostel workers elected (with reluctance) to strike and the boarders were put on their mettle — with Mrs Bennett and Mrs Leggett (Matrons) and Mrs Laurenson (wife of the Senior Hostel Master) and the wives of Mr Wolfe and Mr McIntyre (Board Governors) and Mrs Ryder pitching in — sleeves were rolled up, and we survived the strike with ease!

The contractors arrived to shape up the new baths site and as the concrete structure was installed boys toiled to cut and bring in pongas from hill country and then with parent volunteers, heaved and lifted them to 'face' two towering near vertical walls — while below, concrete terraces took shape.

Next, Kings School (Sydney) arrived to do battle with the 1st XV on the Gully in May and Matthew Simons, head boy, and the Heads of Houses were determined to have the new Third Formers given quick lessons and the school was primed to give the full haka two months ahead of time. What a challenge! What a response! On that brilliant afternoon when the 1000 plus erupted into the haka, the Australian team to a man swivelled heads right in wonder, and the 1st XV gave notice of a good season to come, by rattling on 36 points.

Term Two was wet and cold — not at all conducive to fund-raising and the PTA's decision to have a mid-winter swim at Ngamotu Beach seemed madness! But the cause was right and all we could do was rely on the spirit of the school. And what a morning we had of it! With full backing from parents, Board, PTA, Mayor — David Lean, Board Chairman — Mr McIntyre, the local newspapers, and Stu Kelly of Radio Taranaki, more than 700 boys, parents, and staff, and the Head Girl of NPGHS, did a Dunkirk landing in reverse in the dark at 7am and raised \$13,000 for the pool!

In between times a mufti day raised \$700 to give aid to the Solomon Islands people who suffered awful hurricane damage — and then came August 8 and our main fund-



raising effort: A combined Mystery Envelope Appeal and a Work Day. And it rained all day! If anything was going to quench school spirit, persistent rain would — but it didn't! The boys were magnificent and with the staff never flinching in support and the PTA Executive making their usual first-class effort — the juniors sold an extraordinary 31,000 tickets and raised almost \$14,000 while the seniors stuck to their work contracts and raised more than \$5000

Our goal of \$25,000 was handsomely exceeded, the new baths are assured and best of all NPBHS showed all the resolution and grit that the most sceptical of Old Boys would be proud of.

But what of other facts and accomplishments? Our roll rose yet again to 1089 and two more re-locatable rooms have joined the suburbs overlooking Hobson Street. The new library came into operation in February after being opened by the Minister of Education, Mr Marshall. Mrs Bone (Governor), Mr Heaps (H.O.D. English), Mr Elgar (Teacher Librarian) and Mrs Van Beers (Library Assistant) can be proud of their planning efforts. Mr Hay, Taranaki Education Board Architect, and the contractors, Ebert Brothers, have designed and built an excellent amenity and its central location has completed another attractive quadrangle for the boys.

Mark Billingham maintained our excellent record for University Scholarship success. Thirty seven Seventh Formers won bursaries, fifteen of them A Bursaries and Taranaki Scholarships, and our UE pass rate was again 70%. Japanese Language has been added to our curriculum and the exchanges with Kanto High School, Tokyo, continue to flourish. Horticulture is now offered at Form Six and the new internally assessed Sixth Form Certificate programmes have proceeded, certainly with a noticeable increase in work by staff and students, but also with confidence, and close communication with parents.

The normal huge sports programme has brought its share of successes. Cricket has continued to expand, the 1st Hockey XI won the Woollaston Trophy and Third

Grade Competition for the first time ever; the 1st Soccer XI were runners-up in the Taranaki Senior Competition; our 1st Basketball team has great potential for next year and our 1st XV won the Taranaki Under 21 Competition and six of its eight inter-school fixtures with the win against Wanganui Collegiate, before Prince Edward, being the highlight. Our skiers, having gained second place last year in the North Island Schools Championships, this year came third; a new sport — Water Polo, has seen a very strong team emerge to be fifth in the NZ Championships for Schools, and Stephen Johns and Stephen Venables won selection in the New Zealand Schools team. For the second year in three, our Badminton Team contested the National Finals and were fourth.

As usual the Senior Ball was a glittering success. The Whistle, our newspaper, has emerged in new professional format and does its editorial team and the school great credit. The Annual Concert, led by Miss Mabin with enthusiastic and talented assistance from boys and staff was another unqualified success.

We now head into Term Three with a full Department of Education inspection imminent. The evaluation is a major one and I am confident that the written report will be most favourable. NPBHS has very strong Heads of Departments and a teaching staff that has grown in quality since the 1970s. The hostel has been very well served by Messrs Laurenson, Heaps and Howes and the junior staff; it has two excellent Matrons in Mrs Leggett and Mrs Bradford and Form 3 enrolments are again likely to reach forty.

A new draughting room is rising alongside the Woodwork Block and major refurbishing in that building and

others will begin soon. Construction on a new Senior Hostel Dormitory is well advanced and with the swimming pool completed and paid for, the school can properly turn next year towards equipment it badly needs for its classrooms — computers, especially.

At the end of this year Mrs Gallon will leave the staff and like Mr Wright who has given twenty-five outstanding years' service to the school and to boys with learning handicaps in particular, her contribution to the teaching of languages and drama will be missed. Mrs Barnes was granted maternity leave at the end of last year, and has since resigned, but happily for us, Judith is continuing her excellent service to N.P.B.H.S. as a part-time teacher of accounting and business studies.

In 1987 our roll may have ended its continuous recent growth and a sustained building programme, too, may be drawing to a close. A period of consolidation is about to begin and it will need all the care and energy that a remarkably young, able and loyal staff and a dedicated Board of Governors and PTA can provide.



Haka Practice, May

ACADEMIC RESULTS 1985



Dux: Craig Wadsworth



University Scholarship: Mark Billingham

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STAFF NOTES

It has been a year of new faces.

At the beginning of the year nine new teachers were welcomed. Mr Paul Ryder, Mr G. Hannah, Mr N. Fitzgerald, Miss F. Walker, Mr C. Smith, Mr P. Sole, Mr N. McLauchlan, Mr H. Geursen. Mr P. Glass and Mr Lance Armstrong joined the staff during the year. Additional resignations during the year of Mr Phil D'Ath and Mr W. Kibby who transferred to Francis Douglas, Mr G. Clarke who left on promotion to Spotswood College, Mr J. Fletcher to Greymouth, and the retirement of Mr N. Wright further complicated a serious staffing shortage which has been felt throughout New Zealand. The school has been lucky in having relieving teachers both on a full-time and part-time basis to fill the gaps. Mrs Coley, Mrs Jardine, Mrs Charteris have taught in the English Department, Mr Tuffrey, Mrs Donaldson, Mrs Plyler in the Mathematics Department; Mr McDonald in the Technical Department and Dr Riddle in the Science Department. Mr Palmer filled Mr Cooper's PE position while he was absent on leave in Terms I and II and Mrs Moore taught Social Studies after Mr Fletcher left. His third form Maori language classes have been supervised by Mr Brownie Lake, while the fourth form class travelled to Girls' High to join the class there.

The school has never had a year which has involved so many staff changes.

The new full-time staff members have brought a new breadth of talent and their appointments have seen the introduction of Japanese to the curriculum at the third form and sixth form levels. The sixth form numbers were greatly increased by fourteen enthusiastic students from the Girls' High School making Miss Walker's job of teaching the subject more interesting. Hockey has seen the best year yet under the leadership of Mr Geursen and the Whistle was produced in a professional newspaper format for the first time under the direction of Mr Paul Ryder.

The Student Christian Group has been very active, the guiding light provided by Mr Fitzgerald who has also taken the school orchestra. Messrs Smith, Hannah, Sole, McLauchlan, Armstrong and P. Ryder have all been involved with coaching teams and the boys especially have appreciated their efforts.

Of those who have left during the year special tribute must be paid to Mr Norm Wright. He was appointed to staff in 1961 as Head of the Slow Learner Department. He had a special talent for teaching boys with learning difficulties. His classroom was busy and always well organised. He also introduced and supervised remedial reading and development programmes. Many of the boys on leaving have been most successful in their chosen careers and Mr Wright must take a good deal of the credit for their success. He also ran a special work experience class in the fifth form which assisted many boys find employment. All boys in this class have gained considerably from the contacts in the business community Mr Wright has forged over the years. This year's class was no exception and decided to show their gratitude by having a class photo taken in their work gear. One arrived in his cook's uniform, another with a shovel. Mr Wright's activities have not been restricted to the classroom. As Third



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Form Dean (incidentally the first Dean to be appointed at the School) he has been responsible for interviewing, testing and organising third form classes. He has also been responsible for the management of the tuckshop, the profits from which have greatly assisted school projects — the most recent being the new baths. Mr Wright also had a keen interest in the Student Christian movement organising many activities associated with it. When he was first appointed he held a position as a hostel master, spending three years as housemaster of Niger. He served New Plymouth Boys' High School loyally and well. We wish him well in his retirement.

The other teachers who left also made their special contribution in addition to their classroom duties. Mr Fletcher was a hostel master for a number of years; he coached rugby, assisted with the tramping club and for many years ran a canoeing club; Mr D'Ath took volleyball, Outdoor Education camps and soccer; Mr Clarke was a keen cricket and soccer coach, taking the second Soccer XI this year and he also took part in Outdoor Education activities. During the year Mr R. T. Rowlands resigned as HOD Mathematics, but he will remain as Fifth Form Dean and a teacher of Mathematics next year. The HOD position will be assumed by Mr M. Carter whose responsibility was also increased by the arrival of another daughter. There have as well been additions to the families of the Fitzgeralds, Elgars, Smiths and (Paul) Ryders. Miss Walker announced her engagement as did Mr Duynhoven. Congratulations are extended to them all. The resignation of Mrs Gallon, who has for more than twelve years been the Senior Teacher of Latin and French has also been received and will take effect from the end of the year. Mrs Gallon's teaching has always been first-rate. She always demanded a high standard from her pupils and these same high standards and appreciation of detail were evident in the plays and musicals she produced. We wish her all the best for the future.

There was one change in the ancillary staff this year. Mrs M. Martin, receptionist, left to take up a position with the Polytech, after being with the school for eight years. Her warmth and kindness in assisting parents, staff and boys was always appreciated. Mrs Marsden transferred from the Duplicating Room to take up the telephonist duties and Mrs Connell joined the staff. The Principal's Secretary, Miss Rogers, now Mrs Eaton, was married early in Term III. We wish her and her husband all the best for the future. During the year the office staff has been fortunate to have assistance from Work Scheme Trainees. Miss Manu, Miss Waters and Mr Christiansen. Miss Manu in Term II took up a permanent position in the private sector being replaced by Miss Waters. Mr Christiansen after initially helping the school now helps the at the Board Office. Mr Ray Davidson replaced Mrs B. Marsh as the Executive Officer. Despite all the changes Mr Nials who heads the groundstaff is still with us after twenty-five years of service. The many visitors to the school this year have made special reference to the high standard of maintenance, appearance and tidiness of the grounds. This is a tribute to Mr Nials and his staff, Mr L. Farmer and Mr R. Hosking.



STAFF OF 1986

Back Row: J. Krook, J. P. Fletcher, R. M. Turner, P. L. D'Ath, B. L. Bayly, D. A. Cook, R. J. Palmer, J. Rowlands, H. C. Geursen.
 Third Row: N. W. Fitzgerald, J. A. Sims, R. D. Green, A. T. Burnham, C. A. Smith, P. L. Ryder, M. Rose, N. A. McLauchlan, D. C. Moore, R. D. Davidson, G. G. Giddy, A. D. Butler.
 Second Row: Mrs J. M. Coley, Miss F. M. Walker, J. A. Howes, Miss R. J. V. Mabin, M. G. Watts, G. L. Clareburt, H. J. Duynhoven, J. T. Lander, J. B. Laurenson, N. L. Swindells, G. L. Clarke, R. D. Taberner, Mrs R. M. Bublitz, A. E. Elgar, D. R. Armstrong, W. G. Kibby.
 Front Row: M. E. Dobson, M. C. Carroll, R. M. Carter, J. S. Angell, R. T. Rowlands, L. R. Bublitz, T. T. Ryder, R. E. Brine, D. J. Mossop, M. R. Grimwood, T. G. Heaps, N. G. Wright, Mrs I. S. W. Gallon.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

M. Lees, J. Strobe, S. Dempster, C. Barkley, B. Johns, C. Luke, N. Penno.
 Third Row: T. Wolfe, G. Wood, S. Johns, G. Mills, N. Webb, B. Gardner, N. Cox, J. McKillop, G. Coxhead.
 Second Row: L. Bublitz, M. Carroll, M. Dobson, T. Heaps, J. Laurenson, R. Green, D. Mossop, R. Brine, G. Clareburt, T. Ryder.
 Front Row: G. Cross, N. Maxwell, B. Wills, M. Simons, D. Hine, P. Crofskey, B. Coplestone.

HEAD BOY'S REPORT

1986 has been an exceptional year for the New Plymouth Boys' High School. We have seen the school's construction programme continue unabated, have participated in successful fund-raising efforts, our sportsmen have collectively had one of their most successful years ever, and our musicians have continued to gain recognition for the art they perform on numerous occasions through the year.

The year began with the Minister of Education, with other invited guests, opening the new library. This building is a tribute to all who planned it, being both very functional, and a most attractive and comfortable place in which to work.

Then came the completion of earthworks, and the beginning of construction of the new pool. This should be fully serviceable, with all amenities completed, by the beginning of the new school year. The project has been a major drain on the school financially, but it has allowed that elusive spectre of school spirit to raise its head once again in the long history of this school, with members of the Board of Governors, PTA, staff and present pupils all doing their bit (from lugging pongas out of the bush, to digging ditches and raising funds) to see that the pool is completed this year.

The renovation of the old library into the new seventh form common room has now begun. I know next year's seventh formers will respect their common room, for the facilities and comforts will be a major improvement on what previous students have had. Coupled with the development is the shift of the physics lab to where the old common room was, and the extension of the administration area in the school.

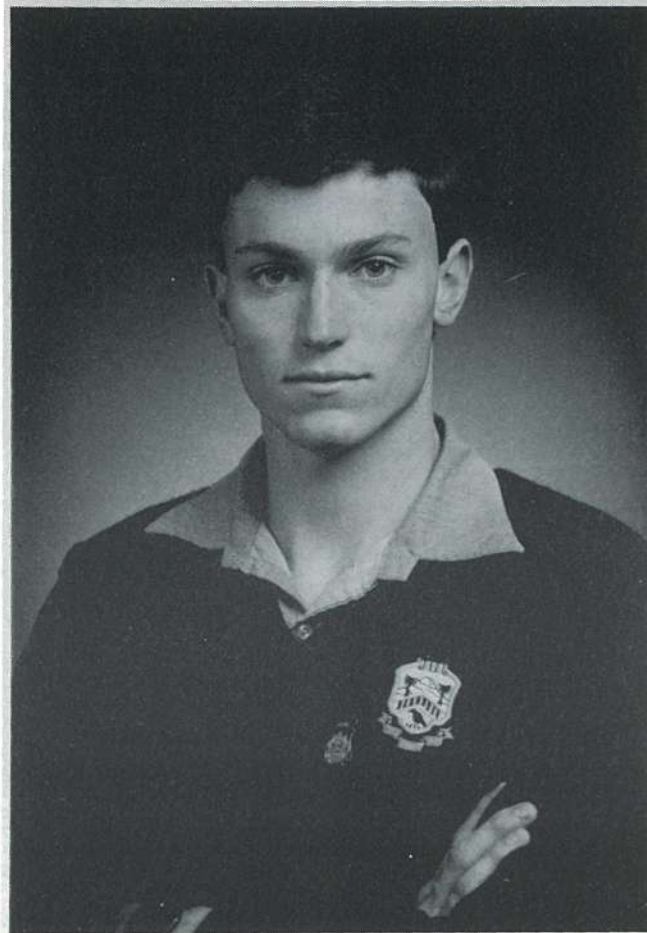
Lastly, the Boarding Establishment has good reason for celebration also this year, with the construction of a new residence — the first for decades. This is evidence to the permanent nature of the revival of boarding in our school.

The school raised over \$30,000 in three major fund-raising efforts. Two of these deserve special mention. Firstly the third and fourth formers' efforts in selling 31,000 mystery envelopes, on a day when New Plymouth's rainfall level was matching that of Westland's. All these who trudged about the streets selling tickets deserve special thanks. And secondly, all those who took part in the mid-winter swim. Few of us could honestly say that we did not feel the elation and excitement which this one event gave to June 20. All of us got a buzz out of it, and it will be something we will remember forever. It is this shared participation and remembrance of things by individuals, which collectively gives the school spirit.

Around all this energy and building, school life continued as normal. The house competitions have been contested with their usual vigour, and it seems that Barak with their winning efforts in the swimming, athletics and cross country have come out convincing winners of the Cramond Cup for house competition.

The informal dances and the senior ball between us and the girls at the Girls' High School have continued to be well attended and as always they provide an essential link between the pupils of both schools.

Unfortunately this year's seventh formers have not had a proud year in their sporting encounters with their counterparts at the GHS. In the netball not even Nick Maxwell's skyhooks from the edge of the semi-circle could counter the "rapid deployment force" of the GHS as they took our goal out of the ground when it looked like another of Nick's amazing shots might go in. And in the soccer, the shadow NPBHS 'B' team used rough tactics against the true and rightly nominated members of our 'A team', to help the girls overcome a first half deficit which threatened to give BHS the game.



MATTHEW SIMONS

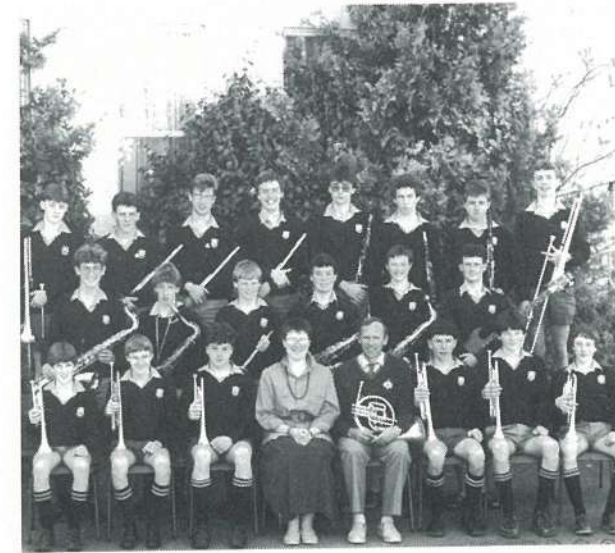
However, our school teams in regular competitions were having a much better year. In almost every code and at whatever grade, our teams had an outstanding season, with the first team in each code having an above average year in their respective college matches. As a bonus the 1st XV, 1st basketball V and 1st hockey XI all won their respective Taranaki competitions and the 1st XI soccer came a close second in theirs. A feature of this year was the performance of the lesser sports within the school with the skiers finishing second, the badminton players fourth, the waterpolo team fifth and our table tennis team ninth at their respective national championships.

I would like to thank all the guys who helped organise and run the dances and house competitions during the year. Their work often goes unrecognised, but if it were not for their help and time these events would not break the pattern of our school lives.

I would also like to congratulate our Sportsman of the Year — Steven Venables — and our Best Performing Artist of 1986 — David Stewart — for their outstanding achievements.

Finally, I would just like to say that I personally have found this year a very rewarding experience. I have had the honour to see more closely how this school works and why it does things in the manner it does.

There is nothing outdated in its traditions or standards. Good luck to those of you who return to our school in 1987. I hope you achieve whatever you set yourself for the year.



CONCERT BAND

Back Row: Duncan Haynes, James McKillop, David Stewart, Matthew Revell, Michael Ekdaal, Arthur De Gray, Simon King, Murray Pugh.
Middle Row: Gareth Thomas, Peter Smale, Paul Lester, Robert Lyall, Justin Van de Water, Patrick Lyall.
Front Row: Stephen Bremner, Timothy Baker, Christopher King, Miss R. Mabin, Mr M. Dobson, Thomas Buchanan, Cameron Mills, Dennis Baty.
Absent: Manu Scott



STAGE BAND

Back Row: Miss R. Mabin, Duncan Haynes, Robert Lyall, Gareth Thomas, Justin Van de Water, Murray Pugh.
Front Row: Stephen Bremner, Thomas Buchanan, Christopher King, Dennis Baty, Paul Lester, David Stewart.



CHOIR

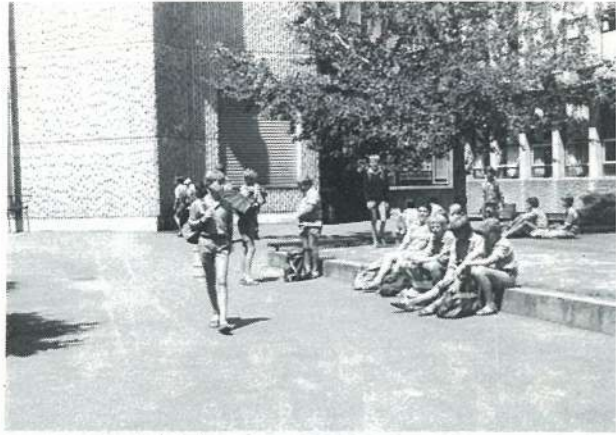
Back Row: Duncan Haynes, Timothy Harland, Ian Rust, Murray Pugh, John Darke, David Stewart, Craig Rust.
Middle Row: Evan Lawrey, Dennis Baty, Richard Dobson, Neil Penno, Colin Penno, Charles de Beuger, Paul Fenton, Ywain Lawrey.
Front Row: Phillip Baty, Nigel Priest, Mrs M. Ashworth, Miss R. Mabin, Miss F. Walker, Mr N. Fitzgerald, Stephen Bremner.
Absent: Manu Scott.



CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Back Row: Duncan Haynes, Tim Harland, Matthew Revell, David Stewart, Dennis Baty.
Front Row: Murray Pugh, Mrs Ashworth, Mr Fitzgerald, Miss Mabin, Charles de Bueger.

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Third Formers' first day ...



Anzac ceremony.



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Extracts From the School Diary

February 3 Mon. Haere mai! 5th, 6th, 7th am.
 7 Fri. Mr Bayly returns, silent, jaw wired.
 10 Mon. Cricket and tennis teams in Napier
 14 Fri. Head Boy announced (Matthew Simons); and Heads of Houses.
 17 Mon. Assembly, Highlights of school history.
 24 Mon. Mr Marshall officially opens the new library.
 25 Tues. School closed — industrial dispute.
 26 Wed. Cricket and tennis v Hamilton, here.
 Gas alarm — external fumes eventually discovered.
 27 Thurs. Synfuel Band performs — prior to entertaining Prince Philip.
 Swimming Championships — the last in the "Old Pool".

March 5 Wed. Athletics Championships.
 6 Thurs. Halberg Trust Raffle tickets returned.
 7 Fri. Theatre Corp visit — The New Kiwi Kid.
 Music Camp begins.
 17 Mon. Cricket here v Collegiate.
 24 Mon. Assembly — Readings by Mr Wright — prelude to Easter.

April 3 Thurs. Cadet Camp begins Smart Rd.
 4 Fri. Junior Dance — 3rds.
 7 Mon. Assembly, The wonder of Halley's Comet..., Music Festival.
 23 Wed. Whistle 1 issued.
 24 Thurs. ANZAC Ceremony. Mr H. Moss, Guest Speaker
 29 Tues. Social Studies teachers' marae visit.

May 2 Fri. GHS/BHS dance.
 5 Mon. School Band entertains in assembly.
 8 Thurs. 1st XV v Kings School Parramatta. We won 35-6.
 30 Fri. "Hello tox" Solomon Island greeting. Appeal after disaster.
 Fri. Rats escape in Mrs Bublitz's car.

June 5 Thurs. Mufti day for Solomons.
 11 Wed. Dreaded Senior Exams begin.
 20 Fri. Mid-Winter Madness 700 "assault" the waves 7.00 a.m. Ngamotu.
 25 Wed. Hamilton sporting exchanges.
 27 Fri. Concert "Spectacular" Open Hostel Weekend.
 Mr X — "He's really great when he doesn't sing!"
 30 Mon. Smokeless Zone week begins — hardest on whom?

July 2 Wed. Wild winds mid week.
 4 Fri. Emergency drill, Senior reports, dance.
 9 Wed. Japanese exchange reports — James Hook, Chris Bridgeman.
 (9 Wed) 1st XV v St Pat's at Silverstream. We won 16-7.
 10 Thurs. Mufti Day.
 14-15 Mon. Tues. Exeat days. Perfect mid-winter weather.
 16 Wed. Job Expo — Exhibition Hall
 1st XV at Collegiate. We won 16-14.
 18 Fri. Dance in our hall.
 21 Mon. Wellington College visit. Concert a draw — 5 bars each!
 25 Fri. In-Service Day for teachers.
 30 Wed. Welcome to visitors from Kanto High, and to Mr Glass.
 31 Thurs. 1st XV v Palmerston North. Defeat 0-12.

AUGUST 4 Mon. No bell experiment for one week. "No bell Prize" to whom?
 8 Fri. 31,000 Mystery Envelopes sold; Senior "Work Day" Steady rain!
 14 Thurs. Speech Night — Boarders' Lounge.
 16 Sat. Another Glittering Ball.
 22 Fri. End of term. Farewell to Mr Wright after 25 years.

SEPTEMBER 15 Mon. Rat saga in Mr Brine's car!
 18 Thurs. Cross Country competitions — gray blustery day but good spirits.
 19 Fri. Sam Hunt performance to seniors.
 22 Mon. Week beginning — Full School Inspection.
 23 Tues. Skiing team 3rd North Island. It's all down hill from here!
 24 Wed. Seniors live in the corridor.
 30 Tues Mufti — Save The Children Appeal.

October 1 Wed. G.S.T. begins. Does less tax help? School exams for 5ths/7ths.
 9 Thurs. Awards Dinner: Best Sportsman: Steven Venables.
 Best Performing Artist: David Stewart.

Crystal Ball Predictions. . . .
 29 Wed. 6th Form exams begin.
 30 Thurs. Cadet Camp and Exercises begin.

November 12 Wed. Senior Prize-Giving Mr T. Joll invited speaker.
 19 Wed. School Certificate exams begin.

December 1 Mon. Form 3 Outdoor Education programme begins.
 8 Mon. Return of text books for seniors.
 11 Thurs. Junior Prize-Giving.
 12 Fri. **THE END**



Mid-winter swimmers



Dayboys - Boarders



A wet day for mystery envelopes



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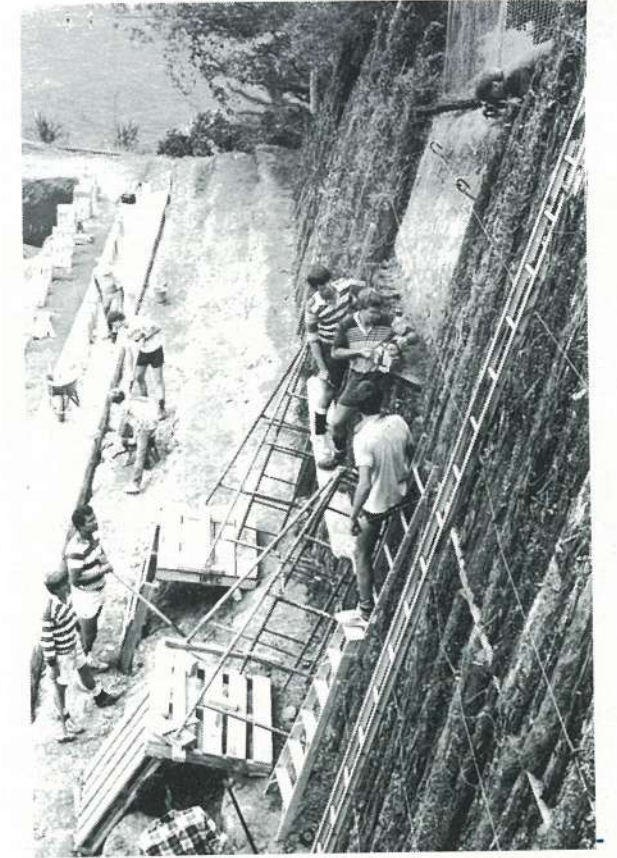
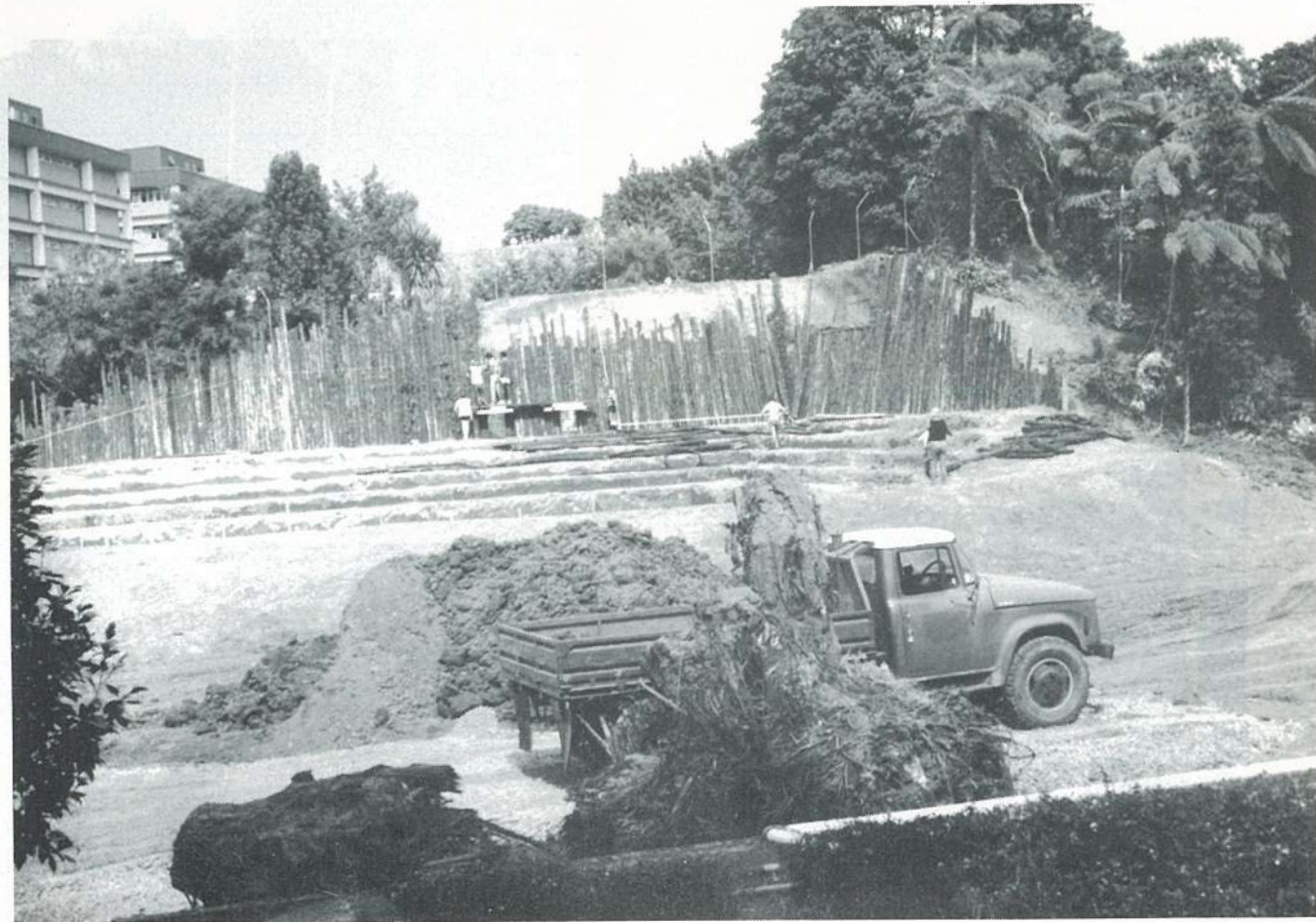
NEW BATHS FOR OLD



The last swimming sports in the old pool.



This is where it will be ...



And here it is!

SWIMMING SPORTS

The final sports in the old pool will be remembered for the fine record-breaking performances by Steven Venables and Stephen Johns.

The re-introduction of Tube Relays and the introduction of a Group leaders' light-hearted relay proved popular and increased the participation level.

Barak House won the House competition again this year proving that it is important to have a high level of participation in the preliminary events.

Results of Championship Events

JUNIOR EVENTS

33 1/3 yds Freestyle	
(1) S. Luke; (2) K. Gilmour; (3) S. Meuli	19.18
33 1/3 yds Backstroke	
(1) S. Meuli; (2) K. Hawley; (3) S. Strombom	23.2
33 1/3 yds Breaststroke	
(1) S. Strombom (2) M. Wipatene (3) C. King	25.90
33 1/3 yds Butterfly	
(1) S. Strombom (2) S. Coffey (3) T. Young.	
100 yds Freestyle	
(1) D. Bride (2) S. Strombom (3) C. King.	

INTERMEDIATE EVENTS

33 1/3 yds Freestyle:	
(1) S. Johns; (2) J. Fisher; (3) K. Wipatene	16.41 (record)
66 2/3 yds Backstroke:	
(1) S. Johns (2) J. Fisher (3) C. Luke	43.85 (record)
66 2/3 yds Breaststroke:	
(1) S. Johns (2) J. Fisher (3) K. Wipatene	44.98 (record)
33 1/3 yds Butterfly:	
(1) S. Johns (2) J. Fisher (3) A. Simon	19.15
100 yds Freestyle:	
(1) S. Johns (2) J. Fisher (3) G. Wood	56.26

SENIOR EVENTS:

33 1/3 yds Freestyle:	
(1) S. Venables (2) B. Johns (3) N. Webb	15.38 (record)
66 2/3 yds Backstroke:	
(1) S. Venables (2) B. Johns (3) P. Venables	39.38 (record)
66 2/3 yds, Breaststroke:	
(1) S. Venables (2) P. Venables (3) B. Johns	44.40 (record)
33 1/3 yds Butterfly:	
(1) S. Venables (2) M. Simons (3) P. Venables	17.43
100 yds Freestyle:	
(1) S. Venables (2) B. Johns (3) R. Flavell	53.95 (record)

Record Breaking Performances. —

INTERMEDIATE:	
Stephen Johns: 33 1/3 yds freestyle 16.41sec. previous holder P. Kahukere 1980. 16.6sec.	
66 2/3 yds. Backstroke 43.85sec. previous holder Bevan Johns 1984 46.5 sec.	
66 2/3 yds. Breaststroke 44.98 previous holder P. Kahukere 1980 46.4 sec.	



The finish of the Senior Boys Relay



The Tube Relay

Record Breaking Performances — SENIOR

Steven Venables 33 1/3 yds Freestyle 15.38. previous holder M. Grey 1980 15.8sec.
 66 2/3 yds Backstroke 39.38. Previous holder P. Van Nierkerk 1979 43.2.
 66 2/3 yds Breaststroke 44.40. P. Van Nierkerk 1979 48.1.
 100 yds Freestyle 53.95 previous holder A. McDougall 1968 54.9.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS SWIMMING

The Taranaki Intersecondary Schools Swimming Sports were held in Opunake prior to our school sports. This made team selection very difficult, especially in the Junior area as preliminaries for only two houses had been held when the team had to be entered. Overall the team performed with credit easily winning the Senior section where Steven Venables dominated and Bevan Johns gave an outstanding performance in the Backstroke. The Intermediate section saw Hawera High School have the strongest team although Stephen Johns won the Breaststroke. Dennis Ruakere was the best performed Junior gaining two second placings.

The Results were:

SENIOR:	
100 yds Freestyle: 1st Steven Venables	
2nd Bevan Johns	
Breaststroke 1st Steven Venables	
3rd Phillip Venables	
Medley: 1st Steven Venables	
3rd Bevan Johns	
Backstroke: 1st Bevan Johns 4x1 Medley relay 1st N.P.B.H.S.	
4x1 Freestyle relay 1st N.P.B.H.S.	

INTERMEDIATE

Medley: 3rd Stephen Johns
 Breaststroke: 1st Stephen Johns
 4x1 Medley Relay: 2nd N.P.B.H.S.
 4x1 Freestyle relay: 2nd N.P.B.H.S.

JUNIOR

100 Freestyle: 2nd D. Ruakere
 4x1 Medley: 2nd D. Ruakere
 Backstroke: 3rd K. Hawley
 Breaststroke: 3rd C. King
 4x1 Medley Relay: 2nd N.P.B.H.S.
 4x1 Freelay Relay: 2nd N.P.B.H.S.

'WATER POLO'

STEVEN VENABLES

Water polo has recently been introduced to the school, in fact since May this year, when seven New Plymouth Boys' High School students represented their province in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' tournament in Wellington. This was a provincial tournament and the team played extremely well considering its inexperience. At this tournament Steven Venables, Philip Venables and Stephen Johns were named in the national under-18 development squad; Jason Fisher was also included later in the year.

The next tournament was the North Island Secondary School championships which were held in Auckland, during mid term break. At this tournament, the team proved to be the surprise package playing with only eight out of a possible thirteen players and with a disadvantage of not having year-round training facilities. They showed they were one of the most competitive teams there. The team was captained by Steven Venables and Bevan Johns was player-manager. The rest of the team was, Philip Venables, Stephen Johns, Rhys Flavel, Greg Wood, Jason Fisher along with the school's head boy Mathew Simons. The team finished in fourth in the North Island. The team also earned a special recognition from the president of the New Zealand Water Polo Association. Steven and Philip Venables were named in the tournament team, so this was a very successful tournament for the team. At the end of the champs the team was invited to participate in the national secondary school champs.

In the third week of the August school holidays the water polo team travelled to Auckland with two new players, who were 7th former Karl Aldrich and 4th former Andrew Simons.

The school had mixed fortunes at these championships, but still managed to gain a creditable fifth placing in New Zealand. Chasing fourth spot after having won three, drawn one and lost three, school went down 7-8 to Auckland's Selwyn College in the final match. Both teams were locked at 7-all going into the final minute.

The tournament was a grand success for school with Stephen Johns and brothers Steven and Philip Venables gaining selection to the squad for the New Zealand schoolboy side to play a test series against Australia, in Sydney, this December. Successes were owed to a great team effort all round, especially the new players.

During early August Stephen Johns, a young 5th former, became the first Taranaki water polo player to represent New Zealand, when he made the national under-16 team which travelled to Hawaii.

SQUASH NOTES — 1986

The main stumbling block to getting squash off the ground as a school sport remains. Few other schools in Taranaki offer this game as a sporting option. Early in the year all secondary schools in our region were circularised but none were prepared to play.

Nevertheless squash proceeded on Thursday afternoons at the Kawarua Park Club and at the YMCA. Attendance was good. Special mention must be made of players who did well during the course of the year.

Michael Weston: A seventh former, made the Central Districts Junior team; competed in the NZ National Junior Championships and won the Kawarua Club prize for the most improved player.

Lee Cochlan: A fifth former, improved his standard of play considerably, obtained "F" grading at Kawarua Park Club and gained a winner's prize in the K.P. "F" grade championships plate.



Thanks must go to Mr T. Ryder for his support and to Mr Russell McKinnon for all his time and effort in coaching the team.

RESULTS: Played Won Drew Lost For Against
 NI Champs NPBHS 9 6 0 3 115 92
 Finished in 4th place

Played Won Drew Lost For Against
 National Champs NPBHS 8 3 1 4 100 106

Finished in 5th place

National School Provincial Champs, Wellington

Taranaki v Southland	2-14
Taranaki v Wellington	6-24
Taranaki v Waikato	10-15
Taranaki v Canterbury	7-14
Taranaki v Counties	11-7-win

7 of 8 players were from NPBHS.

North Island Secondary School Champs, Auckland.

NPBHS v Rangitoto College	20-7 win
NPBHS v Rongotai College	10-14
NPBHS v Auckland Grammar	8-13
NPBHS v Rosehill College	22-5 win
NPBHS v Hamilton BHS	20-12 win
NPBHS v Sacred Heart College	8-20
NPBHS v Manurewa	win by default
NPBHS v Takapuna Grammar	15-12 win
NPBHS v Selwyn College	12-9 win

National Secondary School Champs, Auckland.

NPBHS v Auckland Grammar	9-18
NPBHS v Hamilton BHS	16-10 win
NPBHS v Rongotai College	8-19
NPBHS v Takapuna Grammar	19-11 win
NPBHS v Sacred Heart College	13-19
NPBHS v Verdon College	8-8 draw
NPBHS v Kings High	20-13 win
NPBHS v Selwyn College	7-8

Jason Ede: A sixth former, playing at the "Y" made exceptionally rapid progress, and would undoubtedly have made the school team if the fixtures had been available.

Duncan Wilson (4th Form) and Greg Scriven (5th Form): are school team players of the future.

Fixtures Triangular Tournament at Wanganui

Overall winners — Rathkeale 39 games won
 Second place — Collegiate 29 games won
 Third place — N.P.B.H.S. 18 games won
Players: M. Weston (capt.) R. Dixon (v. captain), D. Allerton, I. Groenstein, Karl Aldrich, Lee Cochlan, D. Wilson (7th man).

Versus Staff: was won by the staff 5 matches to 3.

CRICKET 1985-86



1st XI Cricket 1986

Back Row: Dylan Cleaver, Michael Carr, Rodney Bishop, Brett Cronin, Andrew Harvie, Jason Burbidge, Mr Gordon Giddy (Coach)
Front Row: Karl O'Dowda, Colin Downing, Grant Cross, Stuart Dempster, (captain) Stuart Chapman, Richie Sheather.

FIRST XI CRICKET

CLUB COMPETITION:

The 1st XI played in a Taranaki-wide Senior competition for the first time in ten years. Performances were pleasing with some fine individual results.
Grant Cross 134 v Inglewood.
Stuart Dempster 154 v Inglewood
Colin Downing 7-32 v Hawera O.B.
Stuart Dempster 8-58 (including a hat trick) v Hawera O.B.
Karl O'Dowda 4-33 (including a hat trick) v Avis Vogeltown.
Colin Downing and Karl O'Dowda both took 30 wickets in the competition while captain Stuart Dempster scored over 500 runs. The side finished fourth of the six teams.

The team received the **Umpires' Shield** for the best and fairest team in the Taranaki competition as selected by the Taranaki umpires. The shield was donated by Mr Stan Coppelin a stalwart of the Taranaki Umpires Association. This award said a lot for the team's performance.

The team was helped considerably by English professional coach Frank Watson.

REPRESENTATIVES

Central Districts Under 18: Colin Downing
Taranaki Under 18: Colin Downing; Stuart Dempster; Grant Cross; Richie Sheather; Greg McEwen.
Taranaki Fifth Form Team: Karl O'Dowda; Brett Cronin; Stuart Chapman; Michael Carr.

FIRST XI CRICKET

NPBHS: 212; S. Dempster 37, G. McEwen 31; R. Sheather 47 Draw.

Avis Vogeltown: 177-7; K. O'Dowda 4-27.

Hawera OB: 118; C. Downing 7-32.

NPBHS: 104-7; G. McEwen 23, R. Sheather 22no Draw.

Waitara: 233; C. Downing 3-71; K. O'Dowda 4-49; 204-4 decl.

NPBHS: 208-9 decl; Dempster 50, McEwen 23, Sheather 23, O'Dowda 23, Giddy 35.
126-4 Dempster 80 Draw.

NPBHS: 151; Chapman 51; O'Dowda 27
NPOB: 177-7; Downing 4-29 Draw.

NPBHS: 216; G. Cross, 134
84, Giddy 29.

Inglewood: 221
87-0 Lost.

NPBHS: 144; McEwen 45; O'Dowda 24
152; Cross 36; Carr 26; Giddy 24.

Avis Vogeltown: 181-2 decl
120-5 O'Dowda 4-33 (including a hat trick). Lost.

Hawera OB 175; N. Downing 7-28
125; S. Dempster 8-58 (including a hat trick).

NPBHS: 150-9 decl; Chapman 23; Giddy 41; J. Burbidge 28no
85 Dempster 24. Lost.

NPBHS: 156-6 decl. Dempster 88, Sheather 21.
Waitara: 136; Downing 4-56; O'Dowda 5-35 Draw.

NPOB: 93; Downing 6-29.

NPBHS: 96; Sheather 20, Burbidge 23
Inglewood: 314. Draw.

81-6 decl D. Cleaver 5-41.

NPBHS: 108; Cleaver 28, Cross 25.
263; Dempster 154, Chapman 26 Lost.

COLLEGE GAMES

The results of the college games were a little disappointing mainly due to weather and wicket conditions.

Results

Wellington College — draw (2nd day rained out)

Napier B.H.S. — draw (loss of 1½ hours due to travel)

Hamilton B.H.S. — rained out without a ball being bowled

Wanganui Collegiate — draw.

The main highlight was Colin Downing's effort against Wanganui Collegiate when he took the first eight wickets to fall but could not continue bowling due to cramp. He finished the innings with 8 wickets for 54 runs from 29 overs.

Richie Sheather scored a very good 61 against Napier B.H.S.

v WELLINGTON COLLEGE — Top Ground 2/12/85

Wellington won the toss and batted. After losing 3 quick wickets they recovered and were finally dismissed for 144 Colin Downing taking 4-26 from 15 overs and Captain David Burbidge taking five catches, Rodney Bishop 3-23 from 17 overs.

At stumps NPBHS were 41 for 5. Nearly 2 hours were lost due to rain. The second day was completely washed out with indoor cricket being the order of the day until Wellington flew home.

v NAPIER BOYS HIGH SCHOOL at Napier 10/11/86

Napier won the toss and batted in very hot conditions and went through to be all out for 202, Colin Downing taking 4 for 44 from 20 overs and Stuart Dempster 2 for 27.

NPBHS were in early trouble at 22 for 3 but a 4th wicket partnership of 93 between Richie Sheather (61) and Jason Burbidge (39) rescued the situation. School declared at 140 for 8 with Andrew Harvie 15 no.

Napier struggled for runs and lost wickets in their second innings and finally declared at 71 for 8 wickets Colin Downing taking 5 for 44.

This left NPBHS 134 to score in 23 overs — due to losing 1½ hours at the end of the day to travel home. After 13 overs school was 43 for 3 wickets when the game was called off as a draw. Stuart Dempster scored 28.

v WANGANUI COLLEGIATE, Top Ground 17/3/86

Wanganui won the toss and batted on a wicket of variable bounce. Wickets fell steadily and runs came until they were dismissed for 188. Colin Downing bowled extremely well taking 8 wickets for 54 runs from 29 overs. Downing took the first eight wickets to fall but could not continue due to cramp.

School struggled to handle some good bowling and the variable pitch. At 71 for 9 wickets the follow on looked inevitable but an unbeaten 26 run tenth wicket partnership between Karl O'Dowda (16 n.o.) and Brett Cronin (7 n.o.) allowed school to declare at 95 for 9 at lunch on the second day.

Wanganui batted strongly on their second innings to declare at 125 for 2 wickets — that left NPBHS 218 runs to win in 165 minutes. At stumps NPBHS were 100 for 8 wickets. Dylan Cleaver batted very well for 23, Richie Sheather scored 23, Karl O'Dowda and Rodney Bishop batted out the last 15 minutes under a lot of pressure.

Match Drawn.

Stop Press: Karl O'Dowda in term three has won the rare honour of being selected for the Taranaki Seniors.



SECOND XI CRICKET REPORT

As usual the 2XI went through a large number of players this season. The 2XI competed in the North Taranaki 2nd Grade and played a series of one day games. Wins were recorded against Vogeltown, Mason Appliances, Huatoki, Waitara and the 3rdXI and close losses were recorded against Fitzroy, FDC and Spotswood. The consistent performers with the bat were J. Burbidge, N. Maxwell and coach Mr D. Armstrong who scored 3 unbeaten centuries during the season. It was these batsmen especially D. Armstrong who pulled the team through to respectable totals in most games. T. Burbidge came into form later in the season.

Consistent bowlers were D. Armstrong, M. Simons and K. Ward. They were ably supported by P. Roberts, J. Burbidge and N. Maxwell as well as B. Van de Water.

Our college matches were unspectacular, but a number of dropped catches against Napier at crucial moments let a win slip by. D. Cleaver and N. Maxwell both got into the forties, while M. Simons bowled well. G. Clarke played well picking up 6 wickets and scoring 23 runs, a solid debut. This match ended in a draw with New Plymouth on attack, but running out of time.

Against Hamilton we were completely humbled losing by more than 120 runs. D. Mahura scored a good 36, while Matheson picked up 3 for 30 and Maxwell 2-21, both off 10 overs.

Highlights would have to be Mr Armstrong's 3 unbeaten centuries and M. Simon's 6-20 against the 3XI. Thanks must go to Mr Armstrong for his coaching as well as the parents who supported us throughout the season.

Team members include: N. Maxwell (captain), M. Pittsbrown, J. Burbidge, T., Burbidge, S. Matheson, M. Simons, K. Ward, D. Roberts, C. Richards, C. Hibell, B. Van de Water, D. Cleaver, G. Turner, D. Mahura, J. Old W. Alsweller, G. Clark.

N. MAXWELL

THIRD XI CRICKET

Once again the 3XI was a team of promising youngsters and older players who had the ability to improve. The team maintained a high level of commitment and an excellent on-field attitude right up till the last over of the season.

Several boys moved from this team went on to first XI status during the season.

The undoubted highlight was the rolling of a strong Inglewood side by the boys of Inglewood in a game most of them will remember for a long time.

In a team where few batsman reached double figures with any consistency Damian Mahura led the batting with 250 runs while Wade Alsweller showed promise with 192 runs. Leading wicket taker with 22 wickets was Mahura closely followed by the highly promising Greg Clarke with 20 wickets.

JUNIOR CRICKET

The season started with more teams than ever before — ten teams in all. Many boys were turned away as this is the maximum number of teams we can cope with.

Two teams won championships. Kent won the 5th Grade Division II title and were well coached by Mr P. Ryder with help from Mr N. Fitzgerald.

The Hostel team won the 4th Grade Div II title. This team has some very good cricketers. Many thanks go to all coaches and parents who gave their time.

THIRD AND FOURTH FORM CRICKET

Vs Napier Boys' High School

At the end of the 1985 school year a Napier Boys' High Third and Fourth form cricket team played a NPBHS equivalent on the Top Ground. Napier batted first, scoring 148 for 9 after 45 overs. Best New Plymouth bowlers were Damian Mahura and Justin Old. Napier were very confident that this score would be too much for us — they had several highly rated bowlers. However Dylan Cleaver and Andrew Harvie had other ideas. They opened the innings slowly but gradually grew in confidence, picked up the run rate and eventually totally dominated the Napier bowlers. These two talented batsmen scored the required 149 runs between them with four overs to spare. Andrew Harvie finished on 83 not out and Dylan Cleaver 56 not out. Result: A fine win to NPBHS.



5TH GRADE BOARDERS

Back Row: A. Wilson (Asst. Coach), A. Howse, A. Huston, M. Bielski, O. Jeffrey, J. Davies, L. Edwards, B. Hall, M. Pitts-Brown (Coach).
Front Row: G. Dodd, C. Scadden, B. Buchanan, D. Commerer, B. Schrader, W. Aldridge.

TENNIS

The year began very early for the school tennis teams with the fixture against Napier Boys' High School in Napier at the beginning of the second week. Both seniors and juniors made the journey, and on two beautiful fine Hawke's Bay days acquitted themselves well. The senior team of Tristram Duncan (captain), Andrew Pennefather, Michael Weston (who had played for Napier the previous year), Tony Roberts, Karl Aldrich and David Rydon lost narrowly 5-4 on the first day, and 6-3 on the second with some hard-fought three set matches amongst them. The juniors, Duncan McDonald, Scott Bregman, Rhys Alexander, Gavin Hudson, Darryn Kay and David Bublitz, fared better winning 8-1 on the first and second days, with some of the matches being most comprehensive victories. So we had a 23-13 win over the two days of competition in both grades.

From there the team moved on to play Hamilton Boys' High School. These matches were played at the Pukekura club courts because our own courts were still unusable. Here again the matches were very close. In the seniors, the teams were three-all at the end of the singles, and four-all after the first two completed doubles. We had great hopes of winning the third double but after a very hard match Weston and Roberts lost 1/6, 7/6, 7/5 so giving Hamilton the 5-4 victory. In the juniors, it was the same three-all situation at the end of the singles, but we won two out of the three doubles, and nearly the third, McDonald and Alexander only losing 2/6, 7/6, 7/6. So a win 5-4 to the junior team, and an overall tie 9-9 over the two sets of matches.

The third match at the beginning of the year was in Wanganui against Wanganui Collegiate School. This competition is for the top twelve, so the 1st senior VI were joined by Stacey Tilley, Nicholas Maxwell, Sean McFall, Duncan McDonald, Scott Bregman and Gavin Hudson. Collegiate have improved considerably over the years, and are now proving very difficult to beat, and we did play three juniors at the bottom of the team. They performed very well, and will be a source of strength in years to come. After the doubles we were down 4-2, so that both sides were reasonably evenly matched. However, when it came to the singles we could not overcome them and lost 7-5, giving WCS an overall 11-7 victory.

In the third term the sole inter-college match was against Palmerston North Boys' High School on a very windy day in Palmerston North. By the third term we had lost Andrew Pennefather and David Rydon through departure from school and Tristram Duncan through injury, so the seniors were not as strong. Those three were replaced by Nicholas Maxwell, Stacey Tilley and Kerry Wray, and although the effort was fine, the seniors lost 9-0. The juniors also had a replacement — Scott Hine for Scott Bregman — and they fared a little better. There were some very close three-setters — four in fact, all of which we lost. The final score was 8-1 to Palmerston, not really a fair reflection of the comparative strengths.

The school's open championship for the Candy Cup was played in the first term with Karl Aldrich defeating David Rydon 6/1, 3/6, 7/5. Like so much of our tennis this was played off the property. This time at the Waiwaka Club. Both that club and Pukekura must be thanked for their help and co-operation in seeing us through this difficult period. Let us hope that this problem over our courts is soon solved.



SENIOR TENNIS TEAM

Top Row: M. Weston, K. Aldrich
Bottom row: T. Duncan, T. Roberts, A. Pennyfather
Absent: D. Rydon

The hostel also continues to enter teams in the local junior interclub competition. At the beginning of the year two teams played in the 16's competition held at Spotswood each Sunday morning and two teams entered the 14's competition played at Highlands Intermediate. All teams met with some success, and the hostel will again have teams entered in the 1986/87 season. In addition, many of those players were receiving professional coaching from Richard Palmer, and it is to be hoped that this will also continue.

In 1986 tiger coats were awarded to Tristram Duncan, Andrew Pennefather, Michael Weston, Tony Roberts, Karl Aldrich and David Rydon.

BADMINTON

The 1986 badminton season began in April with both the opening of the school club, and the trials to find the school badminton squad. The school club, ably organised by Mr Grimwood, played in the gymnasium on Wednesday afternoons after school, and continued to provide a good outlet for those students who just wished to play the game as pure recreation.

For those who took the game more seriously the trials held in mid-April produced a squad of seven players who practised in the gymnasium every Monday night.

The first inter-college match of the year was against Hamilton Boys' High School at New Plymouth. The team of Craig Barkley, Willard Temata, Bryce Martin, Wade Alsweller, Ryan Jamieson and Craig Ward played very well against a young and inexperienced Hamilton team and won 12-0.

This year the Taranaki Secondary Schools championships were held at Stratford High School. Our representatives were Craig Barkley and Willard Temata in the seniors and Bryce Martin and Richard Lambert in the juniors. For the third year in a row we swept all before us, the results being:

Senior Singles (winner): Willard Temata
(runner-up): Craig Barkley

Senior Doubles (winners): Willard Temata and Craig Barkley

Junior Singles (winner): Bryce Martin

Junior Doubles (winners): Bryce Martin and Richard Lambert.

Having been successful in the individual competition, the team then turned its attention to the Taranaki elimination round of the New Zealand Secondary Schools Championship, which is a team competition. This year, thankfully, the team did not repeat their losing performance of 1985. We faced three schools: Francis Douglas Memorial College whom we beat 8-0, Waitara High School where we were victors 7-1, and Stratford High School who succumbed 8-0. The team of Craig Barkley, Willard Temata, Bryce Martin, Wade Alsweller, Ryan Jamieson and Justin Brownlie could be well satisfied with those performances.

This win meant that the team had to travel to Hamilton in mid-August to play in the Central Region Zone Final with Richard Lambert joining the team in place of Justin Brownlie. The venture was viewed with a reasonable amount of optimism. The first team we played was from Edgecumbe College representing the Bay of Plenty. We made a good start winning 6-2, and followed that up with an 8-0 win over Thames Valley High School representing Thames Valley. That brought us up against the other unbeaten team representing the Waikato, Hillcrest High School. Here the matches were tougher, but the team rose to the occasion, and defeated them 6-2. Of particular note in this tie was Craig Barkley's singles, where after being in real trouble in the earlier stages of the match, came back to win 10-15, 18-14, 15-11. A real gutsy effort!



BADMINTON TEAM

Bryce Martin, Richard Lambert, Ryan Jamieson, Willard Temata, Wade Alsweller

This meant that the team would play in the national final, representing the Central Region, for the second time in three years — a very fine effort. So in late September, the team journeyed to Wellington to face the three other teams from throughout New Zealand that would contest this final round. The first team we played was Auckland Grammar School representing the Northern N.I. zone. Against a very strong, experienced team, our team could not take a match, losing 8-0. However, Willard Temata took the AGS no 2 to three hard-fought games before he lost. Against Christchurch Boys' High School, representing the South Island zone, we fared better only losing 6-2. Willard Temata defeated the Christchurch no 2 and with Craig Barkley defeated their top doubles pairing 15-6, 14-17, 18-15. Craig Barkley had a remarkably long single only losing 12-15, 18-13, 15-13 in what was a very tiring match. The teams were so close that six of the eight matches went to three games, with NPBHS only winning 1 of those. However when the points won and lost were totalled the two teams actually won the same number of points: 252.

There was nothing deceptive about the team's 7-1 loss to Rongotai College, the runners-up to eventual winners, Auckland Grammar. Willard Temata again played well to register a win, but the other team members were not disgraced against a very talented Wellington team. So, NPBHS came 4th, the same in 1984, but in such company that is no disgrace. The matches were hard fought, and no-one gave up easily.

The season ended with the school championships. The results were:

Senior Singles (Cook and Lister Cup): Craig Barkley def. Willard Temata 15-11, 14-17, 15-8.

Junior Singles (Isaac Cup): Willard Temata def. Richard Lambert 15-8, 15-2.

During the season several of our players played for Taranaki in their junior representative teams.

Under 18: Craig Barkley, Bryce Martin

Under 16: Willard Temata, Bryce Martin and Richard Lambert.

Also during the season, success was gained with Taranaki Junior and Age Group Championships.

Under 18 Singles (winner): Craig Barkley
(runner-up): Willard Temata

Under 18 Mixed Doubles (winners): Craig Barkley and partner

Under 16 Doubles (winners): Willard Temata and Bryce Martin

Under 16 Mixed Doubles (winners): Bryce Martin and partner

All these players must be congratulated on their school and provincial performances this year.

Tiger coats were awarded to: Craig Barkley, Willard Temata and Wade Alsweller.

ATHLETICS

SCHOOL CHAMPS

A successful day was held with the weather being fine and the boys enjoying some close competition. There was a strong wind blowing straight into the face of the sprinters which made it very hard for good times.

A new star in the juniors was Glen Tiaon winning four field events and coming second in another. In the process he broke the Junior Shot Put record moving it out to 11.88 metres.

The sprint champion was Jason Miller, picking up a double in the 100m and 200m, while Justin Lofton-Brook picked up a double in the middle distance events and the junior high jump, jumping 1.53 metres.

In the intermediate events the winners were spread around but the champion Andrew Bunn won the two sprints, javelin and had numerous placings in other events. Simon Manu won two events and was placed in several others.

The senior events were dominated by Chris Carrick, Warren Grady and Douglas Mace. Douglas Mace won two throwing events and broke the shot put record increasing it to 13.27 metres. Warren Grady won three races 400, 800, and 1500 metres. Chris Carrick only won two events but with numerous placings in other events he became the senior champion.

Barak won the overall athletics day but a fine effort was made by Hatherly to win all three relay races.

The staff beat the seventh form in the relay and the day boys beat the boarders in the relay of the day.

RESULTS

FINALS

JUNIORS

100m Hurdles: First T. Patterson (H9) 17.30; second D. Chapman (D1); third D. Holswich (B1).

100m Non Champ: First T. Patterson (HG) 14.1; second R. Patene (H5); third G. Campbell (D5); fourth G. Metcalfe (H7).

100m Champ: First J. Miller (H3) 13.55; second G. Jensen (B7); third G. Ritter (H5); fourth S. Kelly (B8).

200m Non Champ: First S. Chadwick (D8) 30.33; second J. Ruakere (H4); third A. Huston (B6).

200m Champ: First J. Miller (H3) 28.15; second R. Helms (B5); third R. Patene (H5); fourth S. Kara (B6).

400m Non Champ: First A. Huston (B6) 1.08.65; second D. Champion (D1); third S. Hine (B3); fourth W. Aldridge (D6).

400m Champ: First R. Helms (B5) 1.05.9; second S. Kelly (B8); third S. Chadwick (D8).

800m Champ: First J. Lofton-Brook (B4) 2.23.90; second R. Helms (B5); third S. Hine (B3); fourth S. Kelly (B8).

1500m Champ: First J. Lofton-Brook (B4) 4.52.57; second S. Hine (B3); third S. Chadwick (D8); fourth T. Patterson (H9).

Long Jump: First D. Holswich (B1) 4.47m; second G. Tiaon (S9); third S. Kelly (B8).

High Jump: First G. Tiaon (S9) 1.53NR; second S. Chadwick (D); third S. Luke (H); fourth C. Bell.

Triple Jump: First G. Tiaon (S9) 8.80m; second G. Metcalfe (H); third A. Duff (D); fourth G. McKenna (H).

Javelin: First A. Wisniewski (S5) 31.16m; second T. Patterson (H9); third D. McClellan (H3).

Discus: First G. Tiaon (S9) 26.38; second C. Bell (D8); third D. McLellan (H3); fourth B. Beaven (D7).

Shot: First G. Tiaon (S9) 11.88 (record); second R. Helms (C5); third A. Wisniewski (S5).

4 x 100 Relay: First Hatherly 54.81; second Barak; third Syme; 4th Donnelly.



Basking in the Sun on Sports Day

INTERMEDIATES

100m Hurdles: 1st S. Manu 17.07; 2nd A. Bunn; 3rd N. Penno.

100m Non Champ: 1st T. Wolfe (S5) 13.45; 2nd L. Thomas (S2); 3rd C. Luke (H7); 4th M. Gardiner (B3).

100m Champ: 1st A. Bunn (J) 12.20; 2nd N. Penno (H9); 3rd S. Mann (H5); 4th K. O'Dowda (H5).

200m Non Champ: 1st T. Wolfe (S5) 27.90; 2nd B. Gedye (D6); 3rd R. Gray (B4).

200m Champ: 1st A. Bunn (D6) 24.51; 2nd N. Penno (H9); 3rd P. Laurence (H3); 4th A. Hocken (B6).

400m Non Champ: 1st P. Shearer (S3) 1.05.27; 2nd M. Scott (S6); 3rd G. Hooper (B6); 4th .

400m Champ: 1st C. Stewart (S8) 1.00.67; 2nd G. Olliver (H9); 3rd C. Mackenzie (H2); 4th R. Saker (S9).

800m Champ: 1st S. Kendall (B9) 2.16.35; 2nd A. Larking (H4); 3rd R. Fowler (B2); 4th K. Ward (S7).

1500m Champ: 1st A. Larking (H4) 4.45.0; 2nd R. Fowler (B2); 3rd G. Olliver (H9); 4th K. Ward (S7).

Long Jump: 1st S. Mann (H5) 5.45m; 2nd L. Cochlan (D7); 3rd D. Price (H4); 4th J. Lines (B9).

High Jump: 1st J. Peacock (H5) 1.62; 2nd S. Mann (H5); 3rd C. Thompson (S8); 4th A. Bunn (D6).

Triple Jump: 1st T. Aitken (D) 10.68; second S. Mann (H); 3rd K. O'Dowda (H); 4th A. Bunn (D).

Discus: 1st B. Clark (D6) 30.55; 2nd A. Bunn (D6); 3rd B. Wood (S1); 4th R. Seu (S2).

Javelin: 1st A. Bunn (D6) 36.05; 2nd W. McCallum (H4); 3rd D. Price (H4).

Shot: 1st D. Shorter (S6) 11.51; 2nd B. Wood (S1); 3rd J. Brewer (D4).

4 x 100 Relay: 1st Hatherly 49.8; 2nd Donnelly; 3rd Barak; 4th Syme.

RELAYS

Group Relay Non Championship
1st (H9); 2nd (B5); 3rd (O9); 4th (S4)

Group Relay Championship
1st (H5); 2nd (B6); 3rd (S6); 4th (O5)

Dayboys v Boarders Relay:
1st Dayboys

Staff v 7th Form Relay:
1st Staff



Back Row: C. Manu, B. Wood, D. Mace, A. Shorter, T. Aitken, J. Lofton-Brooke, J. McKillop, N. Penno.
Second Row: Mr C. Smith, C. Carrick, S. Kalauni, J. Peacock, A. Larking, C. Barry, C. Moles, J. George, Mr J. Angell.
Front Row: A. Wisniewski, J. Miller, G. Olliver, W. Grady, Mr M. Watts, S. Kelly, S. Hine, C. Jensen, N. Lattimer.

TASMAN HERTZ

Even with a scratch team we still managed to win this inter-school competition again. It was difficult to pick a team before we had had our prelims but the team on both nights performed very well. Thanks go to the boys who filled in at the last minute and performed very well.

Mr Angel and I would like to thank all the boys for their efforts in all athletic meetings this year and we wish you well in athletics in the future.

TARANAKI ATHLETICS

On Saturday March 15 the school was represented by a team of 27 athletes at the Taranaki Secondary School Athletics Championships. The weather was unpleasant with a strong wind and periodic showers making fast times difficult.

Overall the team performed very well. With 43 boys' events altogether, the school gained 16 first placings, 9 seconds and 8 thirds.

The most outstanding individual was Douglas Mace who won three events — the open hammer (setting a new school record of 50-58m), the senior shot put (setting a new school record of 13-30m) and the discus.

Two boys won two events each; Andrew Bunn — Intermediate 100m and 200m.

Glenn Tiaon — Junior shotput and discus.

Athletes to win individual events were:

James McKillop — Senior 100m.

Jason Miller — Junior 400m.

Simon Manu — Intermediate Long Jump.

Aaron Wisniewski — Junior Javelin.

Stan Kalauni — Senior Javelin.

Shane Kelly — Junior Steeplechase.

Tony Aitken — Intermediate Triple Jump.

As a team the school won two 4 x 100m relays — Junior and Intermediate and was second in the senior.

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seven boys were selected in the team to represent Taranaki at the North Island Secondary Schools Athletics Championships at Wellington on March 22. They were: A. Bunn, S. Kalauni, D. Mace, S. Manu, J. Miller, G. Tiaon and A. Wisniewski.

At this very demanding level two boys achieved placings. Douglas Mace 2nd in the senior shot put, 3rd in the senior discus (a personal best throw of 45.46m) and 3rd in the senior hammer.

Jason Miller 3rd in the Junior 400m.

SENIORS

110m Hurdles: First D. Asi (D5) 19.12; second J. George (B7); third C. Carrick (D8).

100m Non Champ: First N. Maxwell (H8) 13.02; second I. Kenneth (B2); third D. Simpson (S8); fourth P. Grey (B3).

100m Champ: First J. McKillop (H5) 12.51; second D. Asi (D5); third C. Carrick (D8); fourth P. Roberts (H5).

200m Non Champ: First M. Simons (S8) 26.60; second J. Brownlie (D3); third R. Sheather (S9)

200m Champ: First C. Carrick (D8) 25.17; second J. George (B7); third S. Kalauni (D7); fourth C. Iroi (B1).

400m Non Champ: First J. Kenneth (B2) 1.02.06; second R. Dixon (D7); third K. Ward (S6).

400m Champ: First W. Grady (B2) 57.50; second C. Carrick (D8); third M. Weston (S5); fourth P. Egli (B3).

800m Champ: First W. Grady (B2) 2.11.73; second C. Barry (D7); third M. Weston (S5); fourth J. McKillop (H5).

1500m Champ: First W. Grady (B2) 4.37.1; second P. Egli (B3) and S. Nightingale (H3); third C. Moles (H5); fourth M. Carr (D5).

Long Jump: First J. Douglas (D) 5.51m; second J. George (B); third C. Carrick (D).

High Jump: First J. George (B7) 1.58; second G. Jones (B5); third T. Little (H3); fourth K. Groot (B5).

Triple Jump: First C. Carrick (D8) 11.12; second A. Siakimotu (S4); third M. Pitts-Brown (H6); fourth R. Duff (D4).

Discus: First D. Mace (H1) 41.33m; second E. Seu (S2); third S. Dempster (D2); fourth S. Matheson (H4).

Javelin: First S. Kalauni (B7) 47.30m; second J. George (B7); third M. Nosa (H5).

Shot: First D. Mace (H1) 13.27 NR; second D. Asi (D5); third S. Dempster (D2).

4 x 100m Relay: First Hatherly 49.85; second Barak; third Donnelly; fourth Syme.

CHAMPIONS

Junior Champion: GLEN TIAON

Intermediate Champion: ANDREW BUNN

Senior Champion: CHRIS CARRICK

House Champion: Barak

NEW RECORDS:

Glen Tiaon: **1. Junior Boys Shot Put** 11.6m — 11.88m. **2.**

Junior Boys High Jump 1.52m — 1.53m

Douglas Mace: **Senior Boys Shot Put** 11.98m — 13.27m

RUGBY



FIRST XV

Back Row: C. Carrick, G. Slater, P. Jensen, N. Maxwell, A. Slater, N. Webb, S. Kalauni.
Middle Row: Mr Moore, D. Asi, G. Robertson, B. Wills, K. O'Dowda, J. Strobe, L. Haysori, A. Bunn.
Front Row: J. Douglas, N. Pennington, B. Gardner, T. Duncan (capt), S. Chapman, J. Brewer, B. Coplestone.

FIRST XV RUGBY

Eight players returned from the 1985 squad. This gave the team a solid base to build on and after losses in the first two club matches the team moulded together well to play attractive rugby and record the most successful season the First Fifteen has had for many years.

Club Competition: — The team won the Taranaki Under 21 competition for the first time. With the commitment to 'College Matches' it was difficult for the team to perform well every Saturday so it was to the team's credit that they not only won the competition but in doing so played the most attractive rugby in the grade.

The highlights of the club season would be the first round match against Tukapa which was won by 37 points to 6 and set the 'standard' for later matches, and the title winning match against Clifton in which the team came back from a 0-9 halftime deficit to win 21 points to 9.

COLLEGE MATCHES:

Vs Kings School, Sydney

On a beautiful May afternoon the First Fifteen turned on their best performance of the season in winning by 35 points to 6. The forwards concentrated on setting up good second phase ball for the backs. This and the physical commitment of all players was the highlight of the match.

In a superb team performance Jody Brewer and Boyd Gardner showed out in the forwards, while Tristram Duncan, Dudley Asi and Chris Carrick were the pick of the backs.

Karl O'Dowda, Chris Carrick, Stu Chapman, James Douglas and Dudley Asi (2) scored tries. Tristram Duncan kicked 4 conversions and a penalty goal.

Vs Lindisfarne College

This match was played as part of the Hawke's Bay Secondary Schools Rugby Union Annual College Day.

The First fifteen playing their third match in five days gave an understandably jaded performance against a big team with a good reputation. In a very stop-start match the Firsts were trailing by 3 points to 4 at half time and only managed to gain control in the final 10 minutes when

the backline executed a good move to send winger Andrew Bunn away on a seventy metre dash to the line. The conversion by Tristram Duncan who added a penalty five minutes later gave the First Fifteen a 12-4 victory.

Vs Hamilton Boys' High School

Atrocious ground conditions at the Gully Ground meant that the Hamilton match was transferred to Rugby Park. This meant that the team missed the support of the school in their first 'traditional' match of the year.

Hamilton scored immediately when the New Plymouth forwards were penalised from the kick-off. Their lead was short lived however, as New Plymouth gained control and spun the ball through the backline for winger Stan Kalauni to score wide out. Andrew Bunn on the other wing also scored soon after to make the half-time score 8-3 to New Plymouth.

In the second spell the New Plymouth forwards took complete control. Leon Hayson at halfback was awarded a penalty try and later scored again after robbing the Hamilton halfback of the ball. Both these tries were converted by Tristram Duncan. James Douglas completed the scoring, finishing off a good forward drive.

Leon Hayson at halfback had an outstanding game while Andrew Slater was the pick of a good forward pack.

Vs St Patrick's College, Silverstream

The team's performance at Silverstream was not their best effort. Too many of the tight forwards forgot their initial job and looked for opportunities in loose play. This allowed the St Pat's forwards to get the edge. The New Plymouth backs who appeared to be superior to their opposites were starved of ball.

The final result of a victory by four tries to a try and a penalty was satisfying, although it was not brilliant in its execution.

Andrew Bunn, Neil Pennington, Chris Carrick and Gordon Slater were the try scorers.

Vs Palmerston North

Played on the 'Gully' the match was marred by fighting in the first ten minutes, from which the New Plymouth team never really recovered. The huge Palmerston North pack dominated the match and paved the way to a clear victory. After scoring a well-executed try which was converted in the first spell they could only add a penalty goal.

In a match that promised much, the game failed as a spectacle.

Vs Wanganui Collegiate School

Played in front of his Royal Highness, Prince Edward, and in perfect weather conditions, the First Fifteen played extremely well in what was a closely contested and entertaining match.

In an even first half the New Plymouth team scored a try and a penalty to Collegiate's three penalties, to trail by seven points to nine at the break.

New Plymouth dominated the second spell, but found the Collegiate defence very difficult to penetrate. Second five eighth Stu Chapman scored and fullback Tristram kicked a penalty to put the Firsts out to a 14-9 lead. Collegiate replied with a breakaway try which was converted and a penalty to give them an 18-14 lead with eight minutes left to play. The First Fifteen retained its composure to storm back into attack and first five eighth Dudley Asi kicked two dropped goals within the last six minutes to make the final score a deserved 20-18 to New Plymouth.

Dudley Asi and Tristram Duncan were the best of the backs while Jody Brewer, Bruce Wills and Paul Jensen stood out in the forwards. Scorers were Chris Carrick and Stu Chapman, tries, Dudley Asi, two dropped goals and Tristram Duncan two penalties.

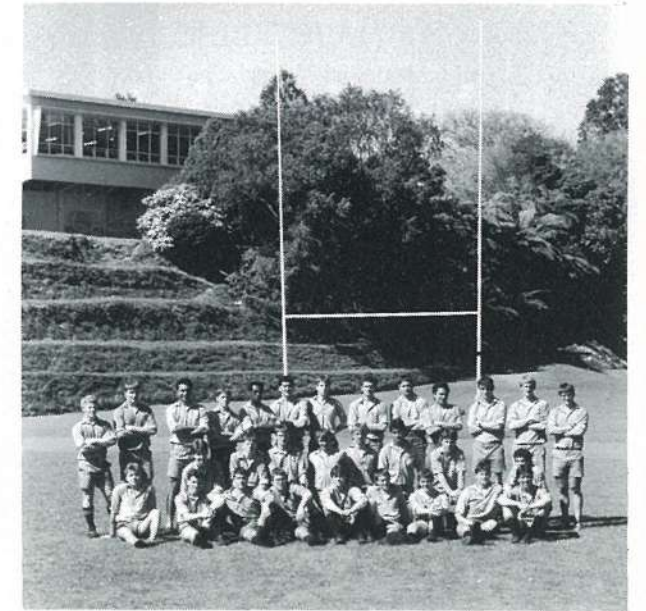


Tristram Duncan, captain of our First XV chats to Prince Edward and the Acting Principal of Wanganui Collegiate.

Vs Te Aute College

Played on the Gully Ground, a scoreless first half showed that the teams were evenly matched.

The New Plymouth team opened the game up more in the second spell and after two minutes winger Andrew Bunn scored after a break by centre Dudley Asi. This was followed three minutes later with another try. Braide Coplestone scored wide out and Nick Maxwell was able to convert and a few minutes later kick a penalty to make the score 13-0 to New Plymouth.



Dayboys and Boarders Rugby Team stand in front of the new goal posts at the gully, donated by Mangorei Industries. Dayboys beat Boarders

Te Aute dominated for the next twenty minutes, but were unable to break the defence, a penalty goal being their only reward.

With eight minutes play remaining, Dudley Asi caught his opposite in possession, robbed him of the ball and ran away to score a remarkable solo try. The 17-3 scoreline put the result beyond doubt.

Dudley Asi was the outstanding player for New Plymouth in this match with Braide Coplestone having his best match of the season.

Vs Auckland Grammar School

Grammar had won the Top Four Secondary Schools title and proved too big, too fast and too skilled for the New Plymouth First Fifteen. The First Fifteen dominated for the first one or two minutes in which time Dudley Asi kicked a dropped goal to give School a 3-0 lead. From then on, like their Ranfurly Shield team, Auckland Grammar took control.

The final score of 45-10 was no real disgrace as the team was carrying a number of players with injuries and illness but in the end the team was no match for the pace, maturity and superb finishing skills of a fine Auckland Grammar team.

GENERAL

Tristram Duncan led the side excellently throughout the season and his and the team's determination to play attractive rugby is reflected in the sixty-nine tries and total of 467 points it scored.

Andrew Bunn scored an outstanding eighteen tries while Nick Maxwell contributed 120 points.

Tristram Duncan, Dudley Asi and Chris Carrick were the most consistent backs; Jody Brewer and Andrew Slater the most consistent forwards, while the pack always functioned best when Boyd Gardner was leading it by example.

Many thanks must go to Murray Watts, Ian Snook, Murray Wills and Ken Maharey, who all willingly gave their time and considerable knowledge towards the team's cause during the season.

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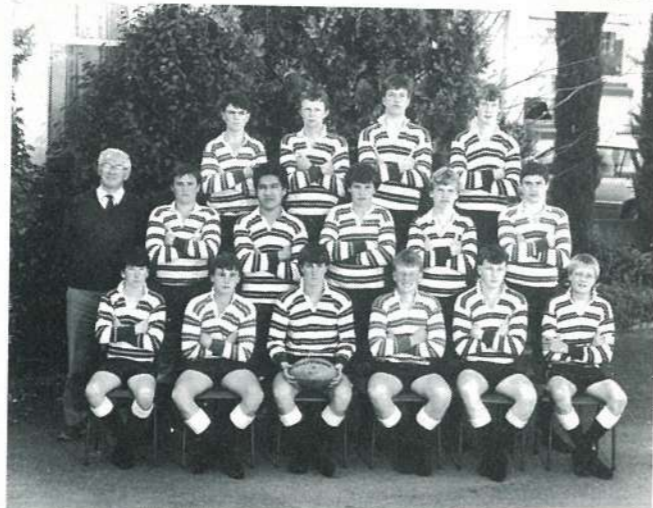


Second XV

Back Row: T. Thomas, G. Slater, L. Thomas, C. Luke, P. Venables, M. P. H. Brown.
Middle Row: M. Carr, A. Stewart, S. Tilley, P. Gray, B. Cronin, T. Trowern, J. Jonas, J. Laurenson (Coach).
Front Row: C. Penberthy, J. Dalmer, J. McKillop, P. Crofsky (Capt), G. Stafford (VC) I. Kalsekau, N. Penno.

Jeff Vickers (flanker) and David Arbuckle (No. 8) were two players who performed consistently throughout the season, and their future progress will be watched with interest. Roderick Walter as captain, lead the team with determination, personally playing out of position, to assist the team. Shane Sutcliffe and Chris Hogg were two others who gave whole-hearted effort, whilst Manilla Nosar at centre showed a penchant for scoring tries against the run of play. Andrew Wilson was a consistent goal-kicker, with Mathew Reed, Shane (Chuckles) Hamilton and John Goodwin being others to catch the eye.

B. BELLRINGER



Back Row L to R: Shane Lester, Greg Mills, Brent Mitchell, Justin Goodwin.
Middle Row: Mr Bellringer, Matthew Reed, Manilla Nosa, Tristram Brimelow, Shelton Brimelow, David Arbuckle.
Front Row: Christopher Hogg, Andrew Crawshaw, Rod Walter (capt), Andrew Wilson (vice capt), Matthew Pratt, Johnny Campbell.

SIXTH GRADE WHITE

With a record of played 16, won 12, drawn 2, lost 2 this team won the Taranaki 6th Grade Title for 1986 and held the Top Dog Shield.

After two early losses this team developed into a very good unit. Mark Stewart, Chris Bell and Martin Bates won good lineup ball. They were ably supported by Gavin Hudson and Grant Holmes in tight play. The loose forwards of Bates, Andrew Harvie and Charles Stewart (scorer of 19 tries over the season) played outstandingly and set the basis for much good ball.

The backs endeavoured to move the ball wide as often as possible, Todd Wolfe and Damian Mahura performed consistently well, Wolfe scoring 61 points and Mahura 53 points for the season.

The two games against NPBHS Black were the best games of the season, (12 all and 7 all). The most satisfying win was against Waitara on the second round winning 30-6 after losing 4-14 in the first round.

The Top Dog Shield was won with a 26-0 victory over Stratford. This also resulted in the team and coach winning a strawberry milkshake each.

One of the strong points of the team was the effort and attitude at practice which made the team a good one to be involved with. This carried on to the team having a very good team spirit.

D. Mahura, Captain
G. Giddy, Coach



6TH GRADE WHITE

Back Row: Andrew Harvie, Martin Bates, Steven Rodgers, Mark Stewart, Reece Dravitski, Chris Bell, Sean Donovan.

Middle Row: Mr Gordon Giddy (coach), Grant Holmes, Andrew Bullians, Charles Stewart, Gavin Hudson, Wade Alsweller, Johnathon Dunlop.

Front Row: Cameron Marshall, Glen Roebuck, Todd Wolfe, Damian Mahura (captain), Dean Cook, Shane Kelly, John Peel.

Sixth Grade Black

A successful season with only 1 loss and 2 draws. Our best rugby was played in the early part of the season with the forwards going especially well.

The team was led well by Gary Rayner, although his blonde hair was easily seen by the referees on many occasions. Other forwards to stand out were Brendon Bellamy (lock), Terry Mounsey (flanker) and Dawson Tamati (No 8).

In the backs we improved as the season went on. The best aspect was our ability to use our wings. John Lines showed this by scoring 6 tries in one game.

Dion Price (fullback), Wayne McCullum (2nd five-eighth) and Craig Trigger (1st five-eighth) were other backs to show great potential.

Thanks must go to the parents who supported the team and provided transport. Mr Rowlands' coaching was also very much appreciated.



6TH GRADE BLACK

Back Row: T. Mounsey, J. Lines, C. Trigger, B. Bellamy, C. Jensen.
Middle Row: S. Davies, G. Sarten, W. McCullum, D. Salisbury, N. Cox, R. Taylor.
Front Row: R. Candy, R. Saker, D. Price, G. Rayner, D. Gorrie, C. Barker, R. Corry.
Absent: Mr J. Rowlands (coach), M. Gardiner, D. Tamati, C. King.

SEVENTH GRADE BLACK

The 7th Grade Black rugby team had a very successful season recording thirteen wins and two draws from their fifteen games, to successfully retain both the championship and top dog shield, from 1985. Significantly the two toughest games were a 0-0 draw with BHS Bell Block and the deciding match of the season, a 4-0 win over BHS White who finished second on the table (having earlier drawn 3-3 with us).

Todd Morris was top points scorer with 72 points, including five tries. Kevin Hawley scored nine tries, Chris Pollock seven, Andrew Breach and Kevin Surrey six, and Captain Douglas Proffitt five. The team scored 260 points (51 tries) and had 45 (8 tries) scored against them.

Mention needs to be made of Steven Eliason whose tireless efforts brought him three tries and selection in the third form team and Taranaki Rep. Team. Kevin Crawshaw led the pack and the team when Doug broke his leg. Hamish Gellatly, had the hard luck story of the year; he broke his leg in the first game of the season and broke it again on his return to school.

My thanks go to the boys for their regular and generally enthusiastic attendances at practice and to those parents, especially the Proffitts and the Eliasons, who supplied transport and support through the season.

A. Elgar



7TH GRADE BLACK

Back Row: H. Gellatly, A. Breach, T. Kana, N. Andrew, W. Shields, M. Lees, S. Eliason.
Middle Row: A. Elgar (coach), C. Pollock, K. Hawley, A. Bryant, K. Surrey, M. Cryer, S. Pratt.
Front Row: K. Proffitt, J. Fisk, K. Crawshaw (v capt), D. Proffitt (capt), T. Morris, M. Lester, V. Curd.

7th GRADE WHITE

We started the season off reasonably optimistically, with good wins over Stratford and Spotswood — then the bad luck started to come our way with draws to FDC, Okato, the Boys' High Black team and Stratford Red. In all of these games, as well as the game against Waitara, the boys had to come from behind to get the result, the game against Black being the highlight of the first round, where a good penalty from Scott Meuli drew the game 3-3. One loss marred the first round, and that was to a fired-up Bell Block/Boys' High Team. Nonetheless, we still made it through to the top six, where we beat Okato and Stratford Red, Waitara for the second time and Bell Block by two tries late in the second spell. Then we met Black in the final and we went down 4-0 in what turned out to be a good game despite the conditions.

THIRD XV:

That, by the latter part of the season, this team was playing to somewhere near its capability, reflects credit on those boys who played and practised diligently throughout the year; that the team did not measure up to previous years' sides reflects on those boys who did not accept their responsibilities as team-members.

J. Laurenson, Coach

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Top try scorer for the year — Robin Helms.

Most improved player over the season — Conway Squire (who shifted from backs to forwards and found his position in the front row.) And Darren Kay, who shifted into flanker and played some brilliant games.

Thanks to all the players for supporting the team when it counted and to all the parents who supplied transport for away games.

C. A. Smith



7TH GRADE WHITE

Back Row: B. Bevin, K. Cross, N. Hemmings, R. Helms, C. Squire, B. Simpkin.
Middle Row: Mr C. Smith (coach) B. McGrath, T. Buchanan, J. Davie, M. Hall.
Front Row: S. Chard, D. Commerer, S. Meuli, G. Wood, R. Busing, D. Kay.

EIGHTH GRADE BLACK

This team was fortunate in that it contained a number of talented and hardworking players and so managed to win all its fourteen games and the eighth grade competition. The advances made by some of the weaker players in terms of acquiring new skills and increased team commitment can be directly attributed to the positive effect the more talented players had on the team.

The season's biggest challenges were to remain unbeaten and to defeat FDC in our 'test match'. This was achieved on the Gully Ground and was followed by the selection of six of the team for the third form side.

Results: played 14 won 14

Points for 450; points against 20.

Top Scorers: Jason Holland 146; Matthew O'Dowda 56; Bradley Fairbrother 44.



EIGHTH GRADE BLACK

Back Row: M. O'Dowda, A. Ruakere, B. Granville, D. Mohi, J. Campbell, D. Henderson.
Middle Row: Mr. Palmer, P. Lester, A. Huston, S. Chadwick, J. Ruakere, M. Biglskis, D. Barrell.
Front Row: D. Weston, W. Aldridge, B. Schrader, J. Holland (Captain), B. Fairbrother, D. Cole,
Absent: G. Curzey, S. Hogg, D. Mitchell.

EIGHTH GRADE WHITE

"A season at growth and development" would best sum up this team's performance this year; it went from a shambolic start against Spotswood, when the team had about as much discipline and cohesion as a parliamentary debate, to the end of the season when they came back from a 12-4 deficit to win the game in the last minute 16-12.

The team was captained well by Mark Jonas, whose leadership developed with the team as the season progressed. Other outstanding contributions were made by Ian Burr and Jason Wheeler; major achievements of the year were beating the other two Boys' High teams, and coming an unofficial second in round two of the competition. Thanks to the few parents who supported the team throughout the season and thanks especially to the boys for providing me with an entertaining season and a few tips for my own game!

G. Hannah



8TH GRADE YELLOW

Back Row: R. Moles, C. Wheeler, M. Andrew, M. Wright, A. Rayner.
Middle Row: Mr Swindells, R. Coley, A. Te Kanawa, B. Hall, F. Cook, K. Luthhard, S. Clark.
Front Row: G. Hillier, J. Lindsay, A. Doy, J. Bayly, A. Fergusson, C. Scadden, B. Bryant.

THE THIRD FORM

RUGBY TEAM

Following the pattern of the past few years a trial was held towards the end of the season and a side selected to represent the school in two games.

The first, against the third formers of Wanganui Collegiate, was played on a very wet Wednesday on the racecourse. Our team played with enthusiasm and by suiting their game to the conditions, won by a resounding 38-0. Rowan Helms scored two fine tries, Craig Trigger kicked well and Jason Holland and Blair McGrath combined well in mid-field while Shelton Brimelow and Ryan Wheeler were noticeable in a pack all of whom played well.

At the end of the term the team travelled north with the First XV and played Auckland Grammar's third formers as the curtain raiser. The game was very closely contested with Grammar eventually winning 10-7. However most of the people who watched the game considered that a draw would have been a more fitting result. Certainly it was all New Plymouth in the closing stages of the game. For school, Rowan Helms scored a try and Craig Trigger kicked a penalty goal.



THIRD FORM TEAM

Back Row: Blair McGrath, Kirk G. Mariner, Chris L. Bell, Craig D. Trigger, Shelton B. Brimelow, Neville R. Ritson, Daryl J. Aim.

Middle Row: Mr M. C. Carroll, Brent M. Beaven, John G. Davie, Rowan J. Helms, Steven E. Ellison, Matthew O'Dowda, Paul B. L. Lester, Darren J. Commerer.

Front Row: Mark Jonas, Aaron D. H. Huston, Joseph A. R. Campbell, Jason J. Holland, Ryan J. Wheeler, Barry N. Schrader, Ian T. Burr.

NPBHS UNDER 16 v WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

Lost 0-7

Playing in very wet and windy conditions this team performed well against a much bigger side that had played together all season. Playing with the wind they were down 0-4 a halftime and although attacking strongly at times during the second half they could not score.

Team: Dion Price (Captain), Cameron Marshall, Sean Donovan, Wayne MacCallum, Dean Cook, Noel Cox, Michael Carr, Shane Kelly, Wade Alsweiler, Andrew Hocken, Wayne Pelham, Brendan Bellamy, Martin Bates, Thomas Trowern, Chris Luke, Carl Jenson, David Arbuckle, Gary Rayner, Kenny Rodger, Andrew Bullians, John Peel.

TABLE TENNIS

Many pupils in the school play table tennis as a lunch time activity only. However, this year a number of pupils have taken a more serious interest in the game and there is now a nucleus of promising players to build on. This year a school championship was held and coaching has been available to those who want it. The school was an entrant in the North Island Secondary Schools teams event for the first time and performed creditably.

North Taranaki Table Tennis Association Winter Interclub Competiton.

The school entered two teams. The regular players were

B Grade: Mark Gladney, Blair Hicks, Aaron Connell. This team won the B grade championship.

C Grade: Iann Reddington, Avan Te Kanawa, Kyle Leuthart. A team of boarders all in their first year of competitive table tennis.

* TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The B grade interclub team won the C grade section of the North Taranaki TTA Teams Tournament.

Blair Hicks, Aaron Connell, Darrell Price and Craig Gaustad won the equivalent event held by the Wanganui Association.

In the NTTTA School Children's Tournament, Peter Grey beat Thomas Taylor in the final. Entries were limited to players without interclub experience.

* The school represented North Taranaki in the North Island Secondary Schools' Teams Tournament. at Papakura and were placed 9th out of 12 teams. The team was Mark Gladney, Blair Hicks, Craig Gaustad.

In the North Taranaki TT Closed Championships, Darrell Price won the C grade. Blair Hicks won the B grade, beating Mark Gladney in the final. Aaron Connell won the under 15 boys' singles.

sented North Taranaki at the 1986 New Zealand Junior Teams' Tournament held during the National Tournament at Lower Hutt.

School Championships.

Mark Gladney beat Blair Hicks in the final. 22 players entered this tournament.

North Taranaki Rankings 1986.

Under 18 boys:

4th Blair Hicks
6th Mark Gladney
7th Craig Gaustad
8th Aaron Connell

Under 15 boys:

1st Blair Hicks
2nd Craig Gaustad
3rd Aaron Connell
8th Darrell Price
9th Thomas Taylor



Standing: Mr D. Cook (coach), Craig Gaustad.
Sitting: Mark Gladney, Blair Hicks.

NPBHS representatives for North Taranaki in North Island Secondary school teams competition

Much of the team's success has been due to the enthusiasm and support of Mr Duynhoven our coach. Thanks also to parents for their support, transport and providing drinks.

K. WIPATENE



YOUTH GRADE

3rd Place Taranaki Football Assn, Asphaltic Youth Competition.

Standing L to R: Coach, Harry Duynhoven; Antoine Durrant, Blair McKinnon, Stuart Wilson, Cameron Greig, Mathew Hancock. Sitting L to R: James Stewart, goalkeeper Grant Smith, Karl Wipatene (captain), Philip Lott, Owen Frenzt. Absent: Matt Gally, Anthony Woodhead, Nigel Lattimer, Philip Minty, Peter Watt.

16TH GRADE A (Gold)

This year's 16th Grade "A" team contained 3 Taranaki Reps; Mark Scott, Glynn Taylor and Glen Hooper. Glen also made the New Zealand team after the National Under 15 tournament.

The team started the season well and performed steadily throughout the year. The only low part of the season being the sad and tragic death of our goalkeeper Shaun Rogers.

A new keeper was found in the form of Glynn Taylor, and with his help the team went on to win the 16th Grade title, a first for NPBHS.

Many thanks to Mr Robson whose time and effort is invaluable to the school.

Thanks also to all parents and supporters who showed up on Saturdays.

TODD BURBIDGE



16TH GRADE "GOLD"

3rd place TJFA 7 a side tournament

Winners: Taranaki Junior Football Assn. 16th Grade

L to R standing: Glynn Taylor, Duncan Haynes, Jon Wilson, Louis Rattray, Alan Woodward, Steven Rasmussen, Mark Scott, coach Mr "Bert" Robson (H).

L to R sitting: Warren Pratt, Peter Stewart, David Hillier, Todd Burbidge (capt), Murray Foreman, Glen Hooper.

NPBHS 14th GRADE (Black)

The 1986 soccer season for the NPBHS 14th grade black team was not one to boast about, due to the fact that it was our first year playing together.

But with an enthusiastic coach such as Mr Armstrong and good attendance to practices from the players we were starting to get something together towards the middle of the season.

We were strongly supported on the sideline by our parents especially Mr Lock.

We had injuries, Wayne Devine who had his ankle broken in an encounter against Woodleigh and in the last few matches was sadly missed.

During the season goal chances were pounced on by centre forward Scott Hine (captain) and he was backed up by Kerry Stockwell and David Siber.

The mid-field was made up of C. O'Halloran, David Lash and A. Spice and on many occasions had to help in the defence.

The sure hands of Darren Lockley was a credit to the team.

The team held its own in the 7-aside against all the top teams.

All in all we did our best.

—Scott Hine



Back: Darren Lockley, Wayne Devine, Simon Barratt, Steven Ellis, David Lash, Coach Mr D. Armstrong. Middle: Chris O'Halloran, Greg Smith, Aaron Lock, Scott Hine, Kerry Stockwell, Bruce Neale. Front: Allan Spice, David Siber.

NPBHS 15th Grade (White)

We had a good all round year but postponements wrecked any good chance of getting near the top. During the season we scored 45 goals and only had 18 scored against us. Our top goal scorers were Andrew Wall, Jason Davy and Marshall Couper.

The highlights of the season were drawing with a Francis Douglas team which hadn't lost a game. And a near loss to Woodleigh Rangers. Grant Brinkhurst, Craig Strawbridge and Dean Peters were the pick of our frequently changed backs. Jon Reid and Tim Lattimer improved considerably during the season. Simon Strombom, Clarke Anderson, Craig Baker and Craig Dawson all played well in the halves and sweeper positions. Jason Davy, Andrew Wall, Marshall Couper and Aaron Connell all played well in the forwards. The goalkeeper position was a bit shaky at the start but then three and four of us took turns, it worked out well.

And last but not least there is Mr Sole, our rugby playing soccer coach who did well after being roped into looking after us. The team appreciated his efforts in helping us.

Jason Davy

Captain 15th Grade NPBHS



Left to Right: Andrew Wall, Aaron Connell, Clark Anderson, Craig Baker, Craig Strawbridge, Grant Brinkhurst, John Reid, Marshal Couper, Jason Davy, Dean Peters, Tim Lattimer, Simon Strombom, Craig Dawson.

16 Grade BOARDERS

For the first time ever the school has this year fielded a junior boarders' team. It was decided to play in the under 16 division as the ages of the team varied from 13 to 16 years old.

Despite an indifferent beginning, the fitness and enthusiasm of the players shone out, resulting in a final placing of second in the division.

We had a few tough games against the other 16th grade team (NPBHS 'A' Gold) and teams such as Inglewood. We would like to thank Mr Howes for transport and especially George Iapson of the 1st XI, who despite a long period with a broken leg, helped with coaching.

Sean McFall, James Quinn



16TH GRADE BOARDERS

Back Row: C. Lee, R. Abbott, T. Johnson, C. Thompson, G. Tiaon, J. Fields. Front Row: C. Ekdahl, L. Edwards, E. Jonas, N. Priest, G. Meredith. In Front: M. Ediriweera.

VOLLEYBALL

SENIOR "A"



Players — D. Asi (Captain) B. Larsen, E. Seu, S. Manu, S. Lalauni, J. Douglas, Subs S. Julian, P.L. Cummings and A. Siakimotu.

The senior volleyball team consisted of eight players at the beginning of the year. Early practices were spent learning the basics.

The team improved considerably by practising twice a week with great support by coach Mr R. M. Turner. The lack of match-practice was evident during the inter-secondary school games. The senior team was placed 3rd in the Taranaki Secondary School Volleyball Tournament held at Spotswood College. The players put in a big effort that day. Outstanding players were Brent Larsen with his spiking and blocking, Emery Seu who spiked well, James Douglas, and our skipper Dudley Asi who controlled the team when they were under-pressure.

The team had developed well with most of the attacks coming through Larsen, Namu, Kalauni, Douglas, Asi and the height of the Sen.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Opunake Won 3-0
Stratford Won 3-0
Inglewood Won 3-1
Patea Won 3-2
Hawera Lost 1-02
Spotswood Lost 1-2

The team performed well when they played one of their inter-college games against Wanganui College. The team showed skill, technique, and good combination between players when they cleaned out Wanganui in three straight sets. Outstanding players were Larsen, Manu, Seu, Douglas, Kalauni and top form by skipper Dudley Asi.

Scores: 15—5

15-9

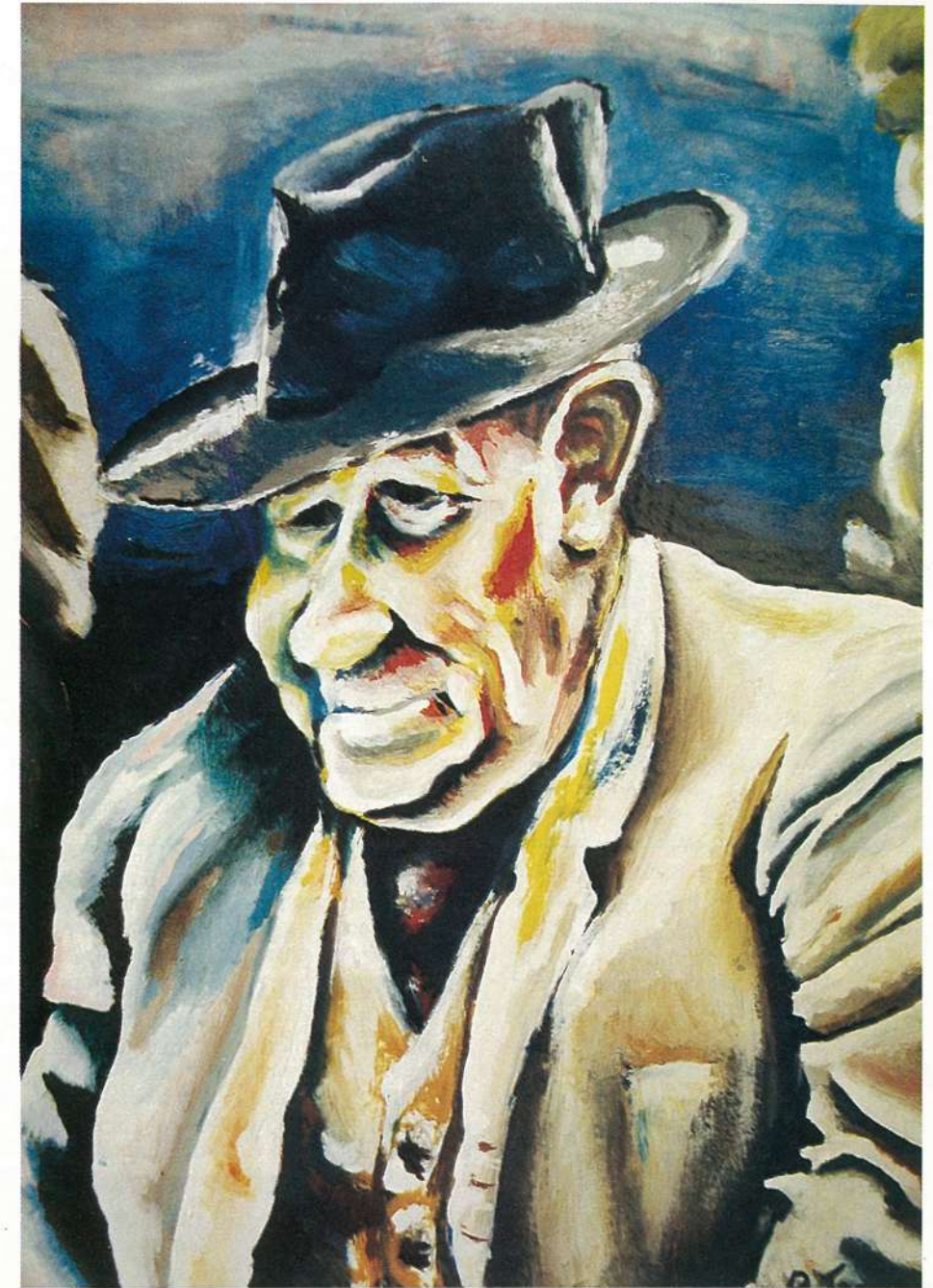
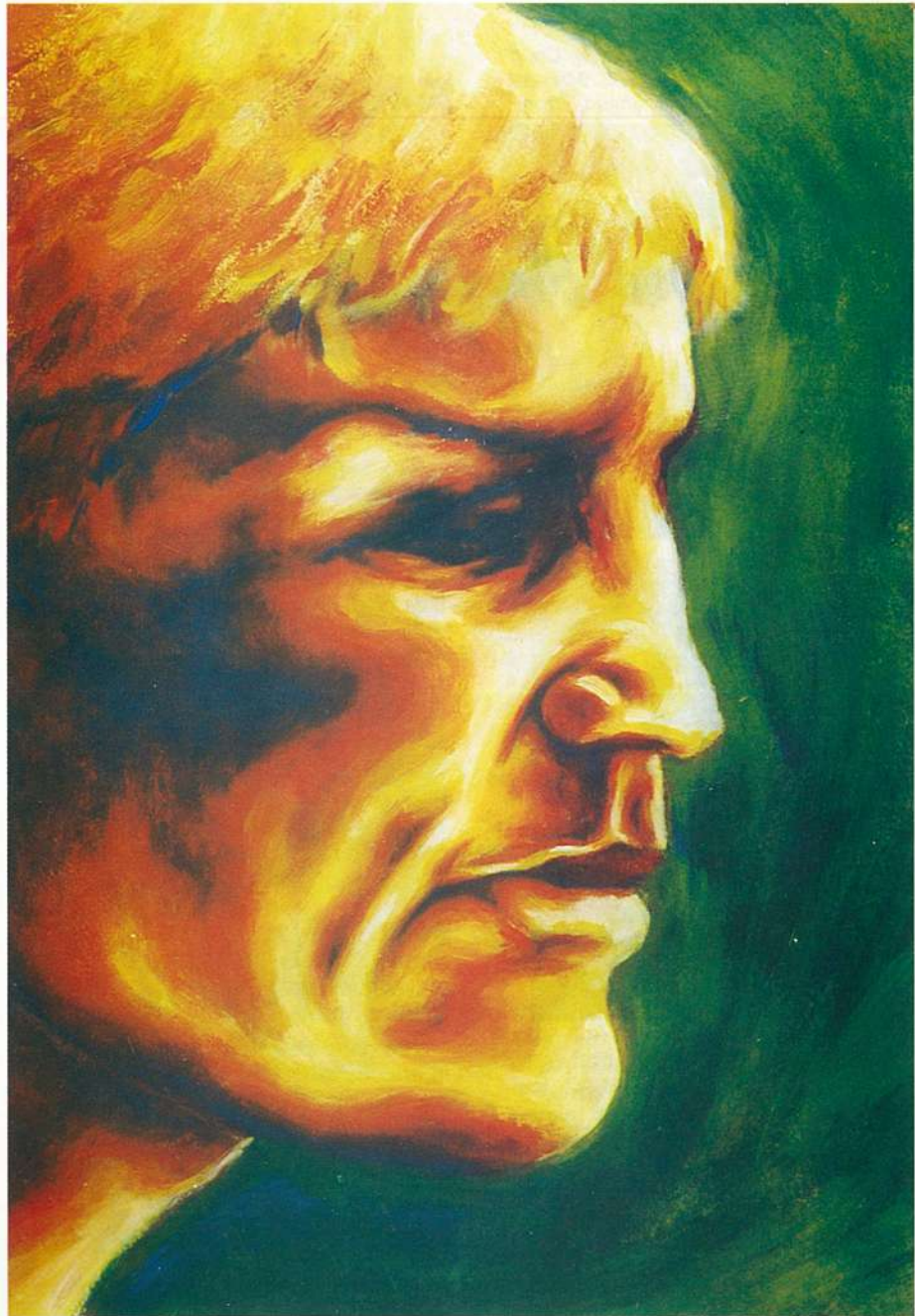
15-13

3 Sets straight to Boys High.



Scott McKenzie

Ross Pennington



Paul Jensen (Old Man)

5th Form Masks



INDOOR BASKETBALL



Back Row L-R: Rhys George, Dean Shorter, Graeme Sands, Darrin Bride, Andrew Hocken, Mr Bayly (coach).
Front Row L-R: Tony Roberts, Tony Dew, Scott Boniface (capt), Grant Cross, Scott McEwen, Jason Fisher.

Indoor this year fielded ten teams throughout the grades. This could well have been more because of sheer numbers wanting to play but by limiting the numbers it meant that those that did play had plenty of court time. Thanks must be given to the large numbers of boys willing to help coach and referee. With this sort of spirit and willingness, the game looks set to maintain its growth.

'A' TEAM

Every year the 1st V are fitting more and more games into an already packed season. The results in the form of statistics were very impressive with five matches of over a hundred points scored in a game. Honours as far as championships were concerned were shared this year with our old rivals Francis Douglas. In the Taranaki Secondary Championship school shared the title with FDC as both lost one each. In the local competition both teams played in the Mens 'A' Reserve Grade and ended up first equal. Out of the five encounters with FDC, school won three and lost two.

The highlight of the year for the team was their performance in the Inter-College fixtures in which they won three and lost one to Wellington College 72-73. This has been the best performance to date by a BHS team in these inter-college games. The Regionals this year were held in Palmerston North. After having to qualify just to play in the regionals the competition from the top eight in the Manawatu, Wanganui, Taranaki regions was intense. Two slow starts in two vital games cost us a chance to make the Nationals and we came fifth. This provided us with valuable experience and with most of the team coming back for next year our chances of making the Nationals will improve, especially when the Regionals next year are to be held in New Plymouth.

The Squad contained eleven players this year — the largest for a number of years. This decision proved to be very successful throughout the year as the depth and talent shown made the bench as formidable as the starting five in many games. The representative honours included three players in the New Plymouth Under 20's, four players in the Taranaki Secondary Schools team and three in the Taranaki Under 16 team.

Thanks must also go to Mr Cross, our manager, Mr Bayly our coach, and to the large number of supporters the team always enjoyed.

FORM FOUR TEAM

The Fourth Form team chosen from the Under 16 grade again had another successful season picking up the Taranaki Secondary Schools Fourth Form Championship for the third year running and also winning a major weekend tournament held in Waitara for Under 16 players. The team was Gavin Roberts, (captain), Darrin Bride, Dwayne Sherwood, Terry Mounsey, Tim Young, Daryl Moles, Blair Hicks, Campbell Thompson, Justin Gardiner, David Bublitz.



4th Form Team
Winners of Taranaki Secondary Schools 4th Form Championship
Terry Mounsey, Darrin Bride, Campbell Thompson, Justin Gardiner, Dwayne Sherwood, Coach: Mr Bayly.
David Bublitz, Darryl Moles, Gavin Roberts, Tim Young, Blair Hicks.

CELTICS UNDER 16 GRADE BASKETBALL

The team finished third in the grade this year with an even performance throughout, losing only to the two top teams. Many of the games were won or lost by very narrow margins and this contributed to the rapid ageing of the coach through the season.



D. Mossop, S. Wilson, A. Brooke, T. Johnston, S. Donovan, N. Wilson, A. Urwin, K. Wipatene (capt), P. Shearer, S. Bremner.
Back Row L to R: Shane Lester, Greg Mills, Brent Mitchell, Justin Goodwin.

PIONEERS UNDER 16

The Under 16 league proved to be very strong this year and the Pioneers fared well in contesting for the final.

The season started well with the first five games being won with ease. Then Francis Douglas applied pressure and the team lost two crucial games, both by two points. This however, did not damage team spirit and they fought back to find themselves fourth on the league table.

Although most of the points were scored by the formidable duo of Sherwood and Mounsey, the rebounding force by Gardiner, Wood and Barker was very good under the boards. The team showed pride in Boys' High and played well for the school. They all look to be promising basketball stars.



PIONEERS
Coach: Scott Boniface.
David Williams, Terry Mounsey, Justin Gardiner, Dwayne Sherwood, Brendon Wood.
Richard Furze, Jason Fever, Craig Barker, Todd Morris, Phillip McCutcheon, Karlo Marsden.

RAIDERS UNDER 16

In some close encounters with tough competition BHS Raiders proved their worth and battled through to fifth equal in the competition. The team had a very good balance of height, speed and ball skills. The team was ably lead by the guards, who controlled the games' momentum well throughout the season. The old hands at this were Gavin Roberts and Daryl Moles. They were ably assisted by Glen Coxhead, Anthony Hopkins and Justin VanDe Water, Campbell Thompson, Simon Davies, David Bublitz and Tim Young provided a steady supply of ball

off the backboards for the team and were dominant in attack. Thompson especially excelled in the centre, while Bublitz drove baseline well and Young scored many points as garbage man for the team. Overall an enjoyable season was had by the team and thanks must go to Mr Murray Roberts for the time and effort he put in as coach.



RAIDERS
Anthony Hopkins, Tim Young, Campbell Thompson, Darryl Moles, David Bublitz.
Grant Holmes, Gavin Roberts, Simon Davies, Glen Coxhead.

MOHAWKS UNDER 16

It was a mixed season for the Mohawks. Despite a few early losses the team showed good spirit and played well. It was the first year of competition basketball for Robert Dines and Tim Lattimer, but they soon learnt the rules and skills necessary to become competent basketballers. Although the team managed to win a good percentage of their games against Spotswood College, they could only manage one solitary win over Francis Douglas. Individual efforts came from Neil Mandel who, with Kenny Rodger spearheaded the Mohawk attack. Carl Jensen and Glenn Jolly provided the necessary rebounds while Smith and Landon formed a solid bench. The most improved player is Robbie Dines.



MOHAWKS
Neil Mandel, Karl Jensen, Glen Jolly, Troy Donovan, Tony Dew co-coach.
Tim Lattimer, Kenny Rodger, Raymond Landon, Robert Dines.

EAGLES UNDER 16

A very enjoyable season was had by all with the team end' up in the middle of the points table. The team always displayed spirit and supported each other on and off the court. The two centres, Garth Flannagan and newcomer to the game, Clarke Anderson, played a big part, making good offensive and defensive rebounds. The guards were Dale Tamaiparea, Shaun Coffey, Nicholas Coley and Glen Hooper. The speed and control shown by these players were always of a high standard and often led to fast breaks or good outside shots. The forwards were the engine room of the team and their spirit and enthusiasm never failed to spur the team on. The forwards were Jason Johns, Blair Hicks and Kris Gilmour.



EAGLES

Coach: Mr Bayly.

Chris Gilmour, Gareth Flannagan, Clarke Anderson, Jason Johns, Shaun Coffey, Blair Hicks, Dale Tamaiparea, Glen Hooper.

BOMBERS UNDER 14

The Bombers began the year keen and committed and continued throughout the season with this excellent attitude. The game they played improved as the season progressed and by the end an obvious increase in skills and ability could be seen. The game Bombers developed was good team basketball. Basketball the way it should be played.

The Team: Duane McLellan unfortunately was injured early in the season putting an end to what was looking like a good season for him with his strong play.

Gareth Reynolds was a keen and consistent team player all season, making a good effort on the court.

Shaun Luke had a great season. His strong ball skills and fine shot were an asset to the team always.

Gareth Jolley played with determination producing good results and making him a player not to be underestimated.

Mark Wipatene at centre worked hard making some good plays. He was an important member of the team.

Shane Bently developed his skills more and more as the season went on — a reliable and consistent member of the team.

Tony Paterson made a good effort all season and developed as a player doing some very good work on the boards.

Matthew Clarke showed some great flair and thinking — an important player who played consistently well.

Loman Edwards' effort and enthusiasm made a real contribution to the team all season.

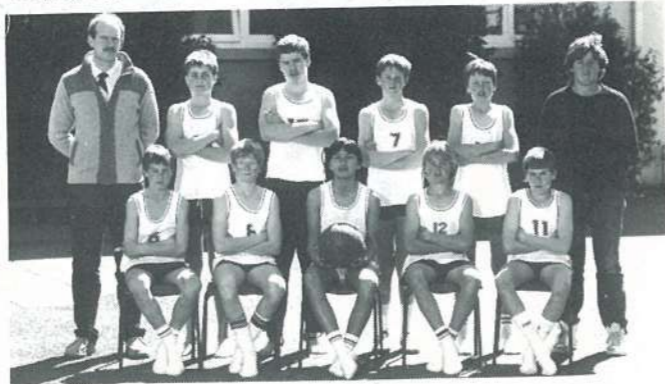
Overall a really good season from a group of players whose final game in the competition against Spotswood College Hawks says it all. It was a great game and win from an excellent team effort.



Back Row: Mr Lander (coach), Matthew Clarke, Mark Wipatene, Duane McLellan, Shane Bently, Jason Fisher (assistant coach)
Front Row: Shaun Luke (captain), Tony Paterson, Loman Edwards, Gareth Reynolds, Gareth Jolly.

THE BEARS UNDER 14

While not having a very successful season, The Bears did have an enjoyable one with team spirit always being high. Everyone was always prepared to give it a go and it made losing not that important. Christopher Lee excelled on attack for the team and Jason Mischewski kept a cool head on defence. Brian Cleland, Duane Durrant and Alistair Coles were our fast-break trio and when on the court each showed speed and enthusiasm. The two big men in the team, Helms and Hemmings, both were a force throughout the year in the rebound department. Brett Honeyfield, Brett Granville and Adam Hills all showed enthusiasm and strength in the forward position. was good team basketball — basketball the way it should be played.



BEARS

Coach: Mr Bayly

Brett Granville, Nathan Hemmings, Brent Honeyfield, Jason Mischewski, David Bubnitz co-coach.
Alistair Coles, Adam Hills, Chris Lee, Duane Durrant, Brian Cleland.

LAKERS UNDER 14

After a closely contested season the Lakers had to settle for second spot in the under 14 division. They lost the final by a mere one point to the F.D.C. colts. The team had one loss during the season and that was to the Colts. Jason Holland, Blair McGrath and Scott Hine worked the ball effectively around the opponents' keyhole resulting in many baskets. Stefan Quinn dribbled the ball with speed and skill feeding the rest of his team mates. The rest of the lads formed the backbone of the team. The team learnt a lot about the game throughout the season and thanks must go to Mr Bayly who shared some of his knowledge with the boys at practice times. Andy and Justin's enthusiasm throughout the season kept the boys working hard, resulting in a well-deserved second place. The team was, Jason Holland, Stefan Quinn, Blair McGrath, Scott Hine, Matthew O'Dowda, Paul Lester, Daryll Aim, Justin Lofton-Brook, Bradley Evans, Greg Smith, Coach Andy Shearer, Co-Coach Justin Gardiner.



LAKERS

Justin Gardiner co-coach

Daryll Aim, Justin Lofton-Brook, Scott Hine, Bradley Evans, Andy Shearer co-coach.
Greg Smith, Paul Lester, Blair Magrath, Jason Holland, Mathew O'Dowda, Stefan Quinn.

ALL STARS. U-14 TEAM

This team had the potential to do very well but were plagued by bad luck. The offensive abilities of Jason Miller and Jason Fowler helped the team produce some exciting games near the end of the year. All Stars finished up in the middle of the table which was very satisfying.

Team: Peter Buckley, Jason Fowler, Jason Miller, Toby Mills, Shane Speight, Ryan Wheeler, Aaron MacDonald, Clint Wheeler.

Thanks must go to Darrin Bride and Gavin Roberts for coaching the team this year.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1986 School Cross Country Championships were not held until the start of term three this year due to poor weather at the end of term two. On a fine day with firm underfoot conditions the placings were:

Junior:

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| 1. J. Lofton-Brook | time 24 mins 35 |
| 2. S. Hine | |
| 3. T. Wells | |

Intermediate:

- | | |
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| 1. T. Wolfe | time 22 mins 37 |
| 2. M. Bates | |
| 3. T. Mounsey | |

Senior:

- | | |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. P. Egli | time 26 mins 15 |
| 2. C. Barry | |
| 3. S. Kendall | |

The highlight in the Junior event was the high standard of the first two finishers. They had a close tussle throughout the race and eventually Justin Lofton-Brook won by six seconds. The gap back to third was considerable.

Todd Wolfe won the Intermediate event impressively defeating Martin Bates, a new student this year from Auckland.

The longest winning margin was recorded in the Senior race by Peter Egli. He was clearly superior winning by over a minute. A feature of this last event was the turn out of eight staff runners.

Barak won the house competition.



"Justin Lofton-Brook winning the Junior event."

CROSS COUNTRY NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

A team of five boys represented the school in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships held at Waimea College, Nelson on Saturday, June 7, 1986. The boys were all entered in the Junior race and, in an event attracting 300 entrants from over 75 schools they were placed 20th in the teams event. The best individual performances were by Glenn Olliver (89th) and Scott Hine (90th).

The training and the trip away were excellent and enjoyable experiences for the boys. The first three boys in our team will still be Juniors next year and, with increased maturity and experience they should perform well.

WANGANUI RELAYS

The Wanganui Relays are an annual four person Cross Country relay event held around a lake at Wanganui in late July. The school entered three teams with the best results being achieved by the third formers. This team, ably led by two very talented athletes (Justin Lofton-Brook and Scott Hine)— achieved 5th placing in a field of 31 teams. The first five teams finished close together and the result augurs well for middle distance running in the school over the next few years.

The Junior grade team was placed 10th out of 30 teams with Steven Kendall and Todd Wolfe both performing very well and the senior team finishing 25th out of 40.

TARANAKI SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

On Wednesday October 9 a 24-member school cross country team travelled to Hawera to contest the annual Taranaki Secondary Schools Cross Country Championship.

The school completed successfully in the teams section winning two of the three events.

The best individual results were: Justin Lofton-Brook — winning the Junior section by 20 seconds, and Peter Egli — third in the Senior grade.

The team results were:

Junior — third (J. Loftonbrook, S. Hine, C. Trigger, P. Theobald, A. Duff, J. Holland).
Intermediate — first (T. Wolfe, M. Bates, K. Ward, T. Mounsey, G. Olliver, S. Wood).
Senior — first (P. Egli, C. Barry, C. Moles, M. Weston, M. Carr, D. Hine).



"Runners start to stretch out just after the start of the Junior race."

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HOCKEY



Left to Right: Back Row: Dwayne Burt, Andrew Darke, Justin Brownlie, Jason Peacock, Micheal Ekdahl, H.C. Geursen.

Front Row: Tony Little, Dylan Cleaver, Karl Phillips, Richard Watson, Adrian Graamans, Koen Groot, Jamie MacKenzie.

With most of last year's team back at school this year the 1st XI had the basis for a very good team. Adrian Graamans a new-comer from Hawera added strength to the team.

3rd GRADE COMPETITION

The first game of the session was against Spotswood which we lost 4-2. This result was not a forerunner for things to come and from then on we went from strength to strength not losing another match.

During the second half of the competition we beat Spotswood 9-4 and in doing so we won the Woolston Challenge Cup which we had to defend for three games before the school's name could be engraved on the cup. This we managed to do, beating Inglewood 7-1, Opunake 4-0, Hawera 6-0 and Stratford 3-1.

COLLEGE GAMES

Hamilton Boys

This was a disappointing game and if Koen our keeper had not played a very good game the result would have been a lot worse than it was. The team was still in the frame of mind that NPBHS always loses College games and did not approach the game in a positive way. Result 9-1 loss.

Hamilton has this year come second in the Rankin Cup Tournament.

Wanganui Collegiate

In this game the boys discovered that College matches could be won. It was a close game with the score being two all until the last two minutes. A lapse of concentration let Collegiate score two quick goals. Result 4-2 loss.

Wellington College

At last, with a new-found confidence the team played an exciting game. Five minutes to play, Wellington College scored to draw level after Andrew Darke had put NPBHS ahead early in the second half. The team rallied to the challenge and after a good attack down the right by Jamie, Adrian and Dylan, Guy was able to score the winning goal.

This win was the first against Wellington in the ten years we have been playing this fixture. Result 2-1 win.

Wanganui Boys

A game where the team did not start well and the under strength Wanganui team scored twice in the first half. In the second half the team came back to draw the match. Result 2-2.

TOURNAMENT: India Shield

The team had a most successful tournament coming seventh out of twenty teams.

During the section play the boys won all their matches to come top of the pool. They beat Horowhenua 3-1, St Kentigens 7-1, Kamo High 1-0, Avondale 2-1.

Opunake turned out to be our stumbling block in the quarterfinal. Opunake had to come from behind twice before winning the game 3-2.

H. C. GEURSEN

Representative Honours:

Koen Groot, Taranaki Colts
 Jamie MacKenzie, Taranaki Colts and Under 17
 Adrian Graamans, Taranaki Under 15 and 17
 Justin Brownlie, Taranaki Under 17
 Dylan Cleaver, Taranaki Under 17 and India Shield Tournament team.



2ND XI

Back Row: N. Wallace Wells, J. Darke, T. Donovan.
 2nd Row: Mr Geursen, K. Thompson, M. Dingle, T. Frew, K. Hodge.

Front: J. Morland, G. Goodson, A. Cole, S. Wilcox, B. Eden.
 Absent: B. Winder, J. Petterson.

SECOND XI

The session started without a coach who could be at Saturday games and this lack of help on Saturdays led to a few problems as well as the boys losing interest during the later part of the season. This was a pity as some of the younger players showed a lot of promise. During the second half of the season the team was grateful for the help in coaching by Mr Steve Evert from the Old Boys Club. The team would like to thank Mr Evert for his time and help.

THIRD XI

The 3rd Form team was a very welcome addition to hockey this year. Having a full team of third form boys will provide a good foundation for the future.

The 3rd form team found it hard work coming from junior hockey to secondary school hockey and playing boys of all ages. It is to the team's credit that they improved greatly throughout the season.

The team would like to thank Mrs Peacock for her help in coaching and Saturday supervision. Without her help the team would not have made the progress it has.

SKIING

1985

The North Island intersecondary schools skiing championships were held on Turoa skifield on Monday and Tuesday the 23rd and 24th of September 1985. Snow and weather conditions were ideal and a field in excess of 250 competitors representing over 50 schools participated. The school was represented by Brendon Boon, Dion Wiggins, Andrew Moore, in the senior men's division with Rodney Green and Todd Wolfe skiing in the junior men's division.

An individual slalom event was held on day 1 where boys complete a course against the clock. Steady performances by all boys with Brendon and Todd excelling saw the school lying in third place behind Ruapehu College, and Wanganui Collegiate at the completion of day 1. Day 2 saw the dual slalom event where boys with similar times compete side by side in a head to head race, the winners gaining extra points for their schools. Again there were steady performances from all boys with an exceptional final race between the two fastest skiers of the competition with Brendon running out the winner. NPBHS achieved second place overall behind Wanganui Collegiate with Ruapehu College third.



"Todd Wolfe, Dion Wiggins, Rodney Green, Andrew Moore and Brendon Boon won second place in the 1985 North Island Secondary School Ski Championships."

On the morning of Friday, September 19, the school ski team travelled to Mt Ruapehu for the annual event of the North Island Secondary Schools Ski Championships.

The team consisted of the following: Dion Wiggins (captain), Todd Wolfe, Stefan Quinn, Rodney Green, Richard Watson and Mr Turner (Manager).

This year the team went over earlier than usual, in order to allow some time to train, and also to allow members of the team to watch the world series of Speed Skiing, in which competitors were gaining speeds in excess of 150km per hour.

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North Island Secondary Schools Ski Championships

1986



The team came third in the North Island Secondary School Ski Championships. Clockwise from top left: S. Quin, Mr R. Turner (Manager), T. Wolfe, D. Wiggins, R. Green, R. Watson

Bad weather and large crowds made it impossible for the team to ski during the weekend. The bad weather continued on Monday, with winds averaging 30 knots, and temperatures of around -12°C . Tows were still operating, so organisers gave the go-ahead for the slalom event of Day 1. Only when two racers were taken off the mountain suffering from exposure did the organisers call off the event.

After a lengthy discussion that evening, it was decided that the Dual Slalom, a head-to-head race, was to be cancelled, and the first day's event would be run on Tuesday.

Tuesday arrived with sunshine and smooth organisation. All members of the team raced well, with Stefan Quinn, the only junior member, finishing second in the junior men's race, in which sixty-two completed.

At the end of the day, one thoroughly enjoyed by all, the team attended a prizegiving at the host school, Ruapehu College. We were welcomed with a Maori welcoming ceremony, then invited inside for light refreshments.

After a short delay, the results came through. Ruapehu College, the favourites, came first with 79 points, followed by Woodford House with 73 points and very close for third with 72 points came New Plymouth Boys' High School.

The event would not have been possible without parents, such as Mr and Mrs Wolfe, and Mr and Mrs Green who were course assistants during the races.

Many will be looking forward to next year's competitions.

Dion Wiggins

LITERATURE

ESSAY — Steven Nightingale — Form Six

And when I look back I just cringe. All political prisoners got a hard time during those years. With the new regime there were a lot more of us of course. The security police came for me in the night, no explanation. I was just bundled into a truck and ferried off.

After being processed I was labelled a 'Class A' criminal, too valuable to execute. I was led down a set of tight, spiralling steps. They were of a highly polished concrete material and were cold on my bare feet. But as the guard and I descended, the air became thick and humid. I began to sweat profusely. The combination of fear and this oppressive atmosphere began to make me feel nauseous. I could sense the vomit swelling in my stomach. Dots appeared in my vision and my legs began to give way beneath me. I was sweating even more now and the atmosphere was becoming more and more humid, choking my sinuses.

We reached the bottom of the steps. They led into a corridor made of stone. The floor, walls and roof were all cobbled. Moss grew up through the gaps in the floor, moisture oozed from everywhere. It was very dim, the only light coming from flaming torches which hung at irregular intervals along the endless corridors. Those torches seemed to me like islands of salvation in a sea of corruption. As we walked I could hear cries of pain and despair which seemed to echo from somewhere deep in the building's bowels.

The guard stopped me outside a rusting iron door. As he pulled it open a horrid stench hit me and physically threw me back. There was the smell of death and rot in the air. I heard the scuttling feet of rats retreating into the darkest corners of the tiny cell as I was ushered in. The door began to creak and then was slammed shut, sending a shower of rust cascading on to the sludge covered floor. The sludge covered floor; it was only then I noticed the layer of scum which was oozing through my bare toes and leaving a rancid taste on the roof of my mouth. Yes I could taste it. It was steaming in the foul air and carrying the smell up through my sensory passages. I shuffled over to the corner, while willing my feet to push aside the decaying litter on the floor of my cell. Before I had taken three steps I was violently sick. The vomit sprayed up the walls and splattered all over the floor, but it kept coming from my mouth and nose, gushing in an unstoppable torrent, filling my cell, suffocating me...

I awoke. I had obviously drifted to sleep from exhaustion and dreamt after I had been sick. I found myself lying in the sludge, how long I had been there I couldn't tell. Day was night and night was day in this little world on my own.

So things were bad in those days, but life is much better now. I have a much larger, cleaner cell. They say I am very privileged and I agree. They say being a rebel was bad, and I agree. They say one day I might be able to go topside, and I agree...

WINO

His grotty hair was matted, rat-like
His face looked like an oil pit.
His clothes — much the same
His boots no sole, no laces
A wino.

S. Quinn

HOW I FOUGHT THE GIANT ANACONDA

Jody Joseph

It happened three years ago during my annual catty dogar hunt, in Umbuk Tojah, South Africa. My four friends and I constructed a camp-site in the middle of the Tojah jungle just before dark. We had arrived in South Africa three days before whereupon we drove our Land Rover over rough terrain to the infamous setting of the Catty Dogar habitat. Now after nearly six months planning we were there and we could all see we were the closest we had ever been to the land of the catty dogar.

After pitching tents and storing food and essentials for the two week stay, someone suggested we all should catch some shut-eye after the long and dusty ride here. We all agreed and soon most of us were asleep. All except me. I found it hard to sleep, even after the drive here. I'd been hunting before, but the excitement of hunting a real-life catty dogar seemed unlike anything I'd ever felt before. So I lay there in deep thought, fantasising over what a hero I would be if I was to catch one and bring it back, alive!

Because I couldn't sleep I decided to take a short walk into the night, not too far away mind, because the jungle at night can be very unforgiving, holding many mysteries.

I got dressed in heavy clothing and decided to take my gun, just in case.

So I set off through the thick bush that seemed to drag me in with awaiting arms, alone, excited and scared.

I hadn't gone far when I heard a distant cry like that of my mother-in-law only this was more of a flowery voice, like fingernails on a blackboard. I waited for it to call again and when it did I knew I had found a catty dogar.

Racing through the rough terrain, my senses flooded with anticipation, I listened for that now-familiar call. I couldn't have been more than fifty metres away from it when I tripped. As I fell my descent was accompanied with a sibilant noise, leaking gas it sounded like. My foot had not clashed with wood, vine or earth, but something very living. "Good God," I thought, "a snake!" I lay very still hoping the snake was not too shaken by the incident, but I was wrong. All at once the giant beast had wound its never-ending, slender body around my legs and torso. All the time the eternal hissing seemed only to get louder and louder. I knew I had to fight back before the snake could strike. My gun! But where was it? I must have lost it when I fell, I thought frantically. By now the rearing snake had wound its long weapon around most of my body and in the dark I could now see its enormous, venom-filled head. It had to be the size of a soccer ball and its forked-tongue darted rhythmically in and out of its evil mouth. Acting like a madman I lunged at his throat with my bare hands, but it so quickly dodged my feeble blow. Its grip around my body was ever so tight and I knew that if I didn't act now I was to become part of the snake's soul.

I reached for my eighteen inch blade that always accompanies me on my right side, only to feel the leathery, sharp skin of the anaconda. The snake seemed to understand the situation, but I was able to crank half a hand under the vice-grip. All of this time my enemy and I had been thrashing about madly in the leaf/vine infested ground; sweat was pouring off every inch of my body and I was weak, but I lifted with every bit of strength I had left, the long beautiful blade above the awaiting prey. I drove my blow home and the snake shrieked. I delivered blow after blow. It seemed like an eternity but I was left with a very dead, brave snake in my lap.



I liked the Hobbit because I liked the way that they went off on one adventure and got caught up in lots of others like 'the spiders'. I liked the way Bilbo got the dwarfs out of trouble with his ring when the dwarfs thought he was just a lot of toil and trouble.

DRAMA REVIEW

After Magritte by Tom Stoppard

There are numerous ideas in the play **After Magritte** by Tom Stoppard that are important to a modern audience. The whole play is based around the problem of interpretation. Through the gradual build up of misunderstanding throughout the play, Stoppard clearly shows us that things are not always as they seem. An example of this are the conflicting opinions about the man seen on the footpath which vary from "a young, one legged football player" to and "old bearded man carrying a tortoise". The person in question actually turns out to be a detective inspector who has shaving cream on his face and who carries a handbag. Stoppard also dwells on the nature of human relationships. In keeping with other aspects of the play, Harris and Thelma have a bizzare relationship. They are very argumentative. They ridicule and twist each others ideas, and yet still are loving. They are also humorous, an important device Stoppard uses in the play, especially through the two main characters. An example of this is each characters humorous and ridiculous account of the man they saw on the footpath, and how through contorting and misinterpreting what Thelma has said, Harris eventually states that he may have been "some sort of street arab, making off with his lute".

Art and Literature, are made conterminous in the play. This contiguity is evident in the title, where Stoppard uses an ambiguity involving both art and literature. The title 'After Magritte' arises because the play was set after an exhibition of Magrittean art, and also because its bizarre nature is "after Magritte's" style.

All these ideas, Stoppard uses in the play, especially the nature of relationships and that things are not always as they seem are important messages which the dramatist wishes to give to his audience.

H. Silby, 5 English

Introduction to William Golding's 'Lord of the Flies'

William Golding was born in Cromwell, England, in 1911. His father was a teacher and his mother an actress. Golding went to Oxford University with the intention of pursuing a career in the sciences but by the second year he had changed his course in order to extend his literary interest. During the war Golding rose to the rank of Lieutenant in the Royal Navy. This war-time experience was to have a tremendous effect on his life and writing. He formed his philosophy about man's essential evils during the war years. Golding has written several novels apart from the 'Lord of the Flies', including 'The Inheritors' (published 1955) and 'Freefall'. He has also extended himself into other forms of expression including his play, 'Brass Butterfly' (published 1958).

The 'Lord of the Flies' is a book which incorporates different levels of meaning. It can be enjoyed as "a good read" or as a structured piece of literature which attempts to make a serious comment about our society. Golding creates a situation by using a vast range of very subtle literary techniques which direct the reader towards the theme, but also leaves a large proportion of interpretation up to the reader. Some of the techniques Golding has used to portray his theme include his creation of the island as a microcosm of society at large. His characters are representative of certain groups in society eg: Simon is the mystic and Piggy the intellectual.

Golding also manages to make his characters highly realistic. Golding uses symbolism in 'Lord of the Flies' eg: The lunch, the pig's head on the stake and also the cleansing effect of the sea. Golding has also employed contrast in various forms. For example, the contrast and conflict between characters or the fight to retain the "grownups" values in contrast with the increasingly acceptable barbaric values. Another example of contrast is the difference between the narrator's language and the simplicity of the children's language. Golding has also used irony. This occurs when Piggy exclaims that everyone is acting like a bunch of children, yet the irony is that they are children.

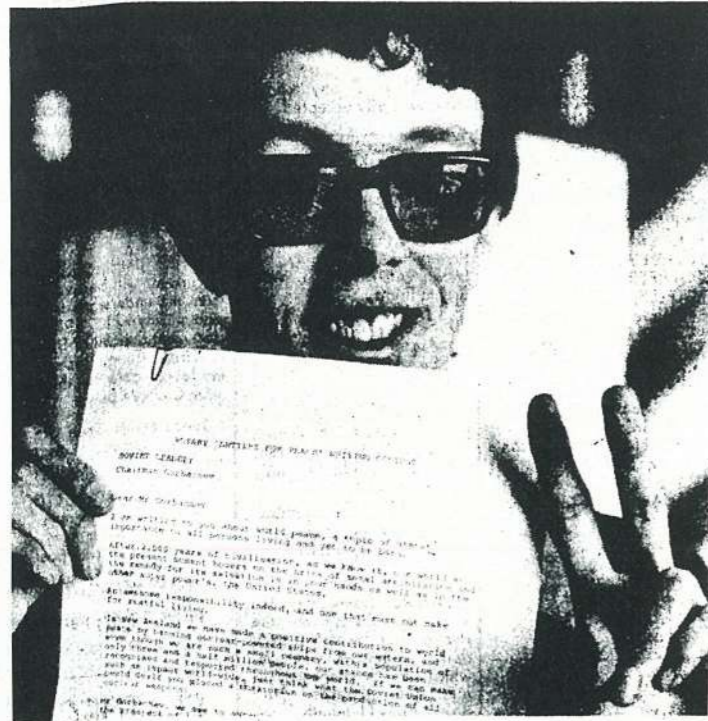
The 'Lord of the Flies' is a book which has been meticulously planned to create the desired effect. Throughout the novel it is possible to trace a very gradual progression into barbarism. Golding is using this to portray his ideas on man and how thin the veneer of civilisation really is. He is attempting to awaken people to their suppressed desires because he believes that recognising and admitting to a failing is the first step to conquering it all together.

S. Nightingale. F6



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Letter to Gorbachev



Sean Coley ... Kremlin leader will get his peace prize-winning words.

"Dear Mr Gorbachev . . ." that's the beginning of the letter for peace that earned New Plymouth Boys' High School pupil Sean Coley second place in a district Rotary writing competition.

He was presented with a 1985 New Zealand stamp collection by New Plymouth North Rotary Club president Mervyn Hunt.

Winner for the district covering the lower North Island is Levin's Christine Hunt.

The event is part of an international competition with letters entered by about 100,000 young people aged between 14 and 18 throughout the world.

Officially Sean's letter will go no further, but the 16-year-old sixth former plans to send his words to the Soviet leader.

"Then I'll wait and see if there's any effect," he says.

"I felt strongly about it — that's why I did it. It's the first time I have done anything like this."

Sean was surprised to discover his second placing. He wrote the letter in March and forgot about it.

'DEAR Mr Gorbachev,
I am writing to you about world peace, a topic of utmost importance to all persons living and yet to be born.

After 2000 years of civilisation, as we know it, our world at the present moment hovers on the brink of total annihilation and the remedy for its salvation is in your hands as well as in the other superpower's, the United States.

An awesome responsibility indeed, and one that must not make for restful living.

In New Zealand, we have made a positive contribution to world peace by banning nuclear-powered ships from our waters, and even though we are such a small country, with a population of only three-and-a-half million people, our stance has been recognised and respected throughout the world.

If we can make such an impact worldwide, just think what the Soviet Union could do if you placed a moratorium on the production of all nuclear weapons!

Mr Gorbachev, we owe to ourselves and the future generations the prospect of life.

If we are to play God in deciding the fate of all who have been so unfortunate to live at the time, we run the risk of being labelled murderers of a race that should never have been.

I don't need to elaborate the particular horrors of a nuclear holocaust — that has already been well examined and documented at length — sufficient to say, that it would be the end of life as we know it.

We live today in a constantly changing world. A world where governments put forward policies tinged with selfish interests.

These selfish and peace threatening policies of short-term gain must be annihilated, unless we wish to meet a similar fate.

Countries need to work together in unison — something which cannot be achieved with constant diplomatic bickering.

The Geneva Summit in November 1984 was a clear example of how two major powers, literally holding the world together, in their hands, produced a result which was termed a non-event.

The mood of the two countries may not have been reflected in the cold and bitter weather, but the

result certainly was. It reflected people's disappointment.

The United States and the Soviet Union refused to shift, with only minor results seeping out.

It was with this that a world, having already experienced two major wars in only half a century, began to grow disillusioned.

People are not as proud as they may once have been; for they once had hoped for a world they could call theirs.

However, this does not have to be. We make ourselves what we are, each being the authors of our own destiny, our own future; it is who 'controls' it that really matters.

Relations between the major powers have never been good; but they MUST improve if progress on the matter of PEACE IN OUR TIME and forever more is to be reached.

IMMEDIATE disarmament is not the full answer. Gradual disarmament is part of the answer for something which should never be questioned.

Closer relations between countries must be achieved; yet past actions and damaging memories are still rife in each side's mind.

That whiff of suspicion will always remain; it is human nature to keep bad memories lingering. It is this nature, and those memories of jealousy and spite that put the world and everything on it in inescapable danger.

POSITIVE moves such as:

- Total disarmament over a period of years.

- Closer economic, social and political relations between countries.

- Further discussions on areas of disagreement.

Every country should be involved in diverting us from a path of destruction, to one of reconciliation.

We must NOT let past grievances hinder genuine efforts for stability.

We live in a beautiful world; an incredible world, a world full of laughter, love and hope, filled with public and private heroism, acts of unselfishness and dedication to duty, unsung martyrs and saints and ordinary people going about their daily lives — all with the right to live!

In conclusion, Mr Gorbachev, I would like to leave you with the thoughts of Kahlil Gibran, the Persian prophet who said:

"Your children are not your children, They are the sons and daughters Of Life's longing for itself..."

Yours in peace,
S. D. Coley.

SENIOR SPEECH

Words

Worse than death; a living death. A death that has its victim wishing for total oblivion but yet it keeps the living corpse dying death after death until its soul takes on the gaunt, terrifying aspect of Edward Munch's picture of "The Scream". It then blindfolds and drives the helpless prey on a bewildering journey around its own mind and finally throws the mute, bruised body into a black corner and leaves it there, to find its own way back to the light.

Words are the cage that imprison the soul's ability to walk free from conformity. They shackle the legs that bear confidence and blind the mind to life-giving insights. But just as words can be bent and twisted to form a grotesque cage, so they can also be moulded into a key that opens the door to a wealth of wisdom.

Words have the ability to blind whole nations. In the mouths of men and women who understand the mathematics of communication, groups of people are duped and herded unconsciously into cowsheds where they are milked of their wealth, their integrity and their individuality. New Zealand is but one of the many examples.

If Hitler had not been such a gifted speaker he would not have been able to bring the German nation back into order and then to poison them with his sweet tasting drug. On the other hand if it had not been for Winston Churchill's powerful and patriotic speeches — blood, sweat, toil and tears — would he have been able to stir up the national pride and spirit of the English people who refused to believe in defeat? And if it had not been for Jesus' time-lasting words would our history, lives and vocabulary be filled with phrases like — O God, Our Father, Jesus Christ —?

Will your words be remembered. Remembered by some wife, some lonely gran?

Words are knives. They cut people's minds to shreds. Words are forks. They prick consciences and leave a numbing truth that won't go away with society's brainwashing. Prickly thoughts don't come down on the beach or in the sun, but at night. When we are alone in our beds when the day is done. Words are spoons. They stir up hatred where none was before.

Words are pins. They pop balloons filled with fears hopes and dreams. This cloning of the human dream is a kind of conformation. This is a dirty three legged dog that sulks around dumps of fashionable words and in sayings. He doggy dos and craps his lies on people's lawns who have no fences. He runs unrestrained in the street with ministers and politicians enticing him with sickly meat of compromise into side streets of confusion. Words turned this world upside down.

But what is more frustrating than a hermit, who knows the answer to life but cannot tell the people in the valley below because he lives too far, high up in the his lofty lonely home? Hermits sometimes meet in obscure circumstance, And plugs fit like sea and shore. Hermits exploring an empty house find Birds behind every door.

These hermits are the people who see their caged friends, they understand the corruption of this beautiful gift of words but on their own can do nothing. Therefore hermits unite! For united we will stand and united we will fall and the whole world with us. What nuclear explosion involves a single atom? So it is the way with us.

Truthful words can do more damage in a person's life than an earthquake but earthquakes build mountains. Which way will you use your words? Will you be a beautiful harp or a haunting panpipe? Or will you be a clanging gong?

P. Egli



THE AXE FELL

The Axe Fell, slicing the rope that held the raft with the bell on, in tow. The current was strong and it carried the small raft like a strong wind would carry a feather. Linda, as always, would take her husband, Paul, for a swim early in the morning of each day. Because he was blind, she felt sorry for Paul; so sorry that she wanted to put him out of his misery. So this morning she took the axe with them to the beach. She didn't know how she was going to do it, but she knew she had to. They walked out to the end of the jetty and Linda set the bell going which would tell Paul where the shore was. The bell was on a raft which was moored to the jetty so it wouldn't sink with the rise and fall of the tides. Paul dived in and started swimming as he had done every other morning, not suspecting a thing.

Linda stood, staring, watching the raft with the bell being pulled out to sea by the current, her husband following it in his free and easy breaststroke style. She stood on the end of the jetty with her eyes glued to the raft and her husband. He was getting hard to see now, with the swell of the sea, bobbing up and down like a bouy. She started to remember all the good times and all the fun they had had, and the sad times and all they had gone through together. He had been faithful to her, sharing all her problems and bringing her out of her misery when she was down. She dug deep down into her heart and her spirit and she knew that she still loved him desperately. Her heart would be torn apart and her conscience would never let her live it down.

She came to the conclusion that she couldn't let him down. It would ruin her life not having him around. But by the time she realised what she was doing, Paul was nearly three hundred metres away, nearly exhausted. Her fear was great and he was in complete and utter despair, not knowing which way to turn in the rising swell. He was wondering why Linda had not noticed his predicament and swam out to help him.

Linda took off her shoes and jeans and dived into the sea swimming with a powerful stroke to her fear-stricken husband. The swim was physically demanding and had taken a lot out of her by the time she had reached her husband. She then had the job of trying to reassure Paul and erase all alarm from his mind. She did this better than she thought she could and then, guiding Paul, she headed for land.

When they reached land they sat down to rest and catch their breath and then headed for their home with Paul not knowing what happened except that the raft with the bell on broke its mooring and headed out to sea with him following it.

D. BATY, F5

**ARMCHAIR SPORTSMEN
(3rd form speech)**

M. BAIRD

"Take it up the line ya mug! made ya run too soon. Look, before ya pass it. Tackle! Tackle!"

We've all heard it at some time.

We've all been guilty of being an armchair sportsman.

We've all ridden horses faster and more cunningly than Lester Piggott.

We've all played more stylish soccer than Maradona and we can definitely take more wickets than Hadlee.

Armchair sportsmen come in all shapes and sizes, but they have one thing in common, whether they're indoors or out; they are full of voice. They know everything. Occasionally an encouraging remark is uttered and floats from the sideline "Oh Ruthell — what beautiful play" or "Well played lad! You're playing a good game!" Only to be ruined by: "Run faster ya mug!" The owners of these voices, the armchair sportsmen, hardly move on the sideline and look very smug and cosy in their centrally heated Swandri and long trousers, while the true players struggle against strong wind, rain and prejudice.

The ingredients necessary to hatch this breed of sportsmen can be found on a wet Sunday. Couple this with a few mates, add a rugby game on T.V., particularly a live broadcast, a few steinies, and you've got a good batch.

The first sign of any energy from this group comes with the pressing of the TV "On" button, closely followed by a common feeling of great expectations.

During the game these expectations are raised and dashed depending upon how well the armchair sportsmen are equipped.

Arms, feet and tongues work in unison for a full eighty minutes, after which a post mortem is held and the game is then played as it should have been.

All sports have a claim to these "critics" if they lose, or "supporters" if they win.

We get unanimous agreement from armchair sportsmen. Comments like Bill Ibadulla's are heard: "That's the man, Martin Crowe — could change this test match around", but they are known to be contradictory creatures at times. One minute a player is playing very skilfully and the next he's never been seen to play so badly.

However, these very skilled sportsmen have their uses. Their sideline comments and wisecracks help to spur the players on and they provide an important element on social occasions. Discussing a game or event after it's conclusion is just as stimulating as watching it live.

Go to your soccer, rugby or basketball match next week and take note of comments from the sideline. Listen, and watch with interest, the antics of TV sports' viewers within your home and if you have a minute or two find the lollies your mum hides in the cupboard, pull up a chair, relax with your feet up and join the other armchair sportsmen. There's nothing to beat it.

"Oi! what was that penalty for? — Give him a fair go! Where did they find this ref? I could do better myself!"

RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER

The theme of the poem was in the third and fourth to last stanzas. It showed me the Ancient Mariner was selfish and then he was taught a lesson for his wrong doing (killing the bird). You should love all God's creations because you are one of God's creations.

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**RUGBY
— NEW ZEALAND'S
GREATEST RELIGION?**

The final test against Australia, is over. New Zealand have lost, and countless thousands of followers, retrace the well worn path back home again, dejected and disappointed.

There can be no denying that Rugby has the greatest number of participants and followers, both on and off the field, of any sport in the country. It would also be true that there are more of these "followers" of rugby, than there are of any religious denomination. This comparison may seem on the surface to be both abnormal and ridiculous, but when one considers the devotion these people give to the sport, it may make more sense, certainly in many cases where the two overlap, a greater proportion of time would be spent thinking about the game, not about God.

As to whether this sport which has this near spiritual devotion among its followers could be classed as a religion is a matter of interpretation. Clearly the sport or the players are not prayed to, in the manner that one prays to God. Rugby is, however, a belief and devotion for many people.

There are signs, however, that the followers of the game are dwindling in number, as a result of various incidents relating to politics, money and racial discrimination. With the trend now being towards more individualistic sports, rugby has got to change in the way soccer and cricket have. Otherwise, we may well be seeing New Zealand's great game in its final dying moments.

H. Silby F5



**THE RIME OF THE
ANCIENT MARINER**

He holds him with his glittering eye —
The Wedding-Guest stood still,
And listens like a three years' child:
The Mariner hath his will.

THE DOG

Scratching barking stinky things
running around the yard;
They help you when you're farming
but they also chase the sheep all over
the place, what a disgrace.

A. Huston 3B6

THE KILL

Crouching down low the cheetah
crawls upon his prey; ever so
slowly he makes his way.

Attack!

The antelope flees with a cheetah
right on his tail, pulling
him down from the throat;
bring the antelope to death.

Mark Jonas 3B9

3RD FORM BOARDERS MATCH

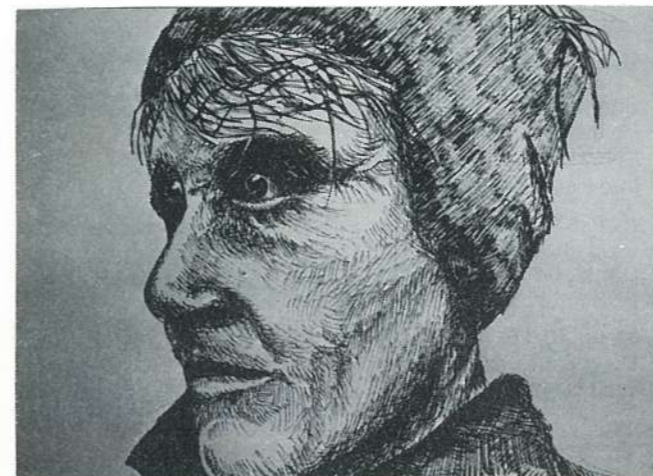
We lined up to go to the paddock,
They looked mean but we looked the meanest
The Cheer from their Captain echoed in
the Gully "3 Cheers for Niger House,"
Then ours drowned them out.
Then the Whistle was blown it's all on! . . .
Blood for Blood! . . .
We won the Battle. 24-10.

B. Schrader 3S7

BUSH

Getting more scarce every day;
The home of many of nature's animals.
A clean fresh atmosphere.
Somewhere you can get away from the
noise and bustle
The delicate shades of green, pleasant
to the eye,
The calls of the birds softening to
the soul;
An important part in everyday life.

Robert Mills 3H6



A. Wilson. 7
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R. Pennington

TARANAKI WEATHER

One moment it's fine
and all's Divine,
But what a pain
It will start to rain
Then before you know
It will start to snow —
Or it will blow up a windy gale
And then it might evey hail
In the winter it's just cold
R. Coley 3D1

WATER

The water is coming,
and silence she likes
as she runs; drips away;
beyond the bounds of land.
She runs
and mixes
with blood
The blood of man;
his murders,
his lust,
his desires.
The water is coming
and silence she likes.
Anonymous

FISHING

Going fishing on a boat today,
Out on the sea far, far away,
Where the Marlin and the Hammerheads swim,
Get my fishing gear out,
And jump all about,
When I pull my first Hammerhead in.
I pull him on board,
Cor, what a hoard,
But suddenly the boat begins to sink.
My dad dies,
And is covered with flies,
As I swim to safety of the rocks.

C. Jones 3B4

INVASION

Memories of past invasions
have made you unsure and distrustful,
made you want your security.
We who are isolated
have never been violated
We do not understand
But we have seen atolls perish
Islands sick and dead
A world escalation of nuclear weapons.
Many wrongs don't make a right.

C. Carrick, F6

A month ago the tree seemed dead
Gaunt naked skeletons pierced a grey sky
Sharp, angular dry-boned sticks.
And now

The brightest, lightest, feather green
Fills out against a warming sky.
The tree swells,
 rounds voluptuously
 thinly veiled
And promises new life returning.
The sap and spirits rise.
The hearts sing
For this is spring!

G.L.C.

CITY

Arriving
the brick walls plummet down;
the grey sky shouts at me.
The black lampposts side by side,
are so dull; uninteresting.
Suddenly I hear the scream of summer,
shattering my expired breath,
a world of artificial things,
is not to be desired.
And those which like it,
it is too late.
To save their tormented souls
for those who stay,
they will be trapped,
until eternity.
Anonymous



C. Barry, 6

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TENNIS

Tennis requires a certain skill
That players in turn must fulfill
It's very easy once you know
So I suggest you have a go.
The forehand shot, a major stroke
Is mastered by the cunning bloke
Your backswing's done before the shot
The ball accelerates and you are looking hot.

M. Baird 3D8

SCHOOL

School can be good,
School can be bad.
But usually, it's bad.
Lessons are bad,
Lessons are stink.
I wish school would become extinct.
But what would we do without school?
We wouldn't learn anything or know anything at all
We'd just stay at home and act cool.

G. Taylor 3S8

VARIOUS HAIKU — R. Dobson Form 4

Shadow on the sand
Slowly crawling towards me
Wind breathing slowly.

The chasm of doom
Slowly reaching for my head
Then closing again.

Water trickling slow
Over the waterfall high
Splish, splash, splish, sploch, splash.

Travelling higher
Over the gravelly track
Horses whinnying

Feather floating soft
Landing on someone's glasses
Making them sneeze.

War — R. Dobson Form 4

Bombs
Political monstrosities
Eating chewing their way,
Into the hearts of men.

How now purple cow,
Or is mutilation better?,
Can't you see, it's better to live,
In the hearts of men?

To do, to die,
Do you know why
We kill each other?
For the hearts of men.

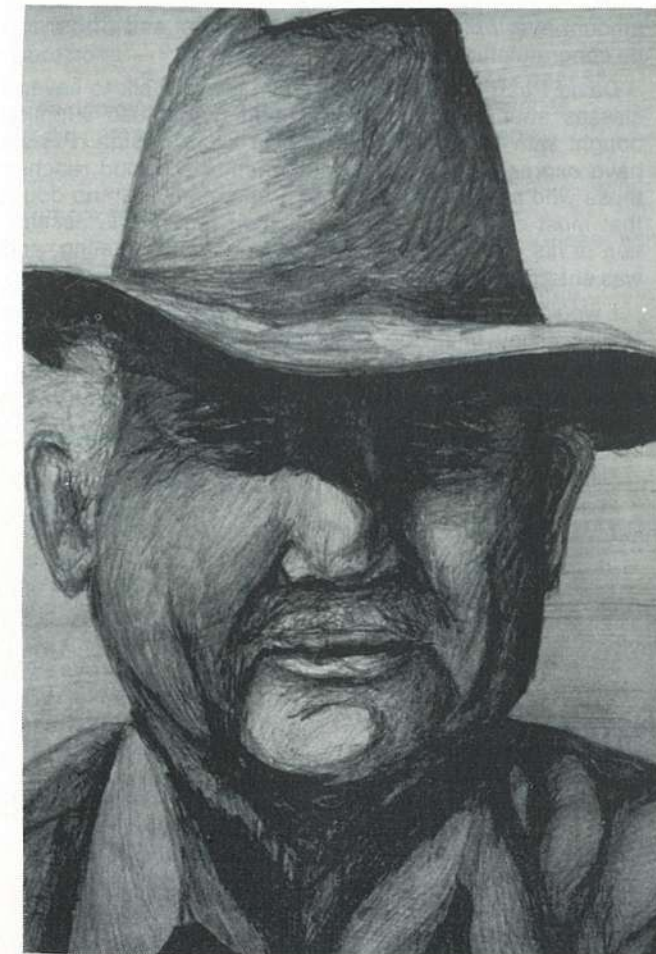
THE PLOUGH Part I

Saw a train today, it had a snowplough
Bolted on the front: Was ploughing the
snow, splitting its skin and peeling back
the white flesh to reveal two black tracks.
Its similar to the bow of a ship
Dropping and rising, dipping itself, in
And out like the flickering tongue

of a snake. Taking the established sea
And ripping it in two pieces, forcing
The hissing cloth to part and tumble
Down its starboard and port waists
Until it joyfully greets its Brother at
The stern with a splash and shout.
"Ahoy ye seafaring men and maidens,

For now ye ride and plough us.
Triumphant alien — Neptunes, ye poke and
prod. Ye have no fear when the sun shines.
But wait until the sky tugs at our
White fluffy crowns and stirs our hearts.
Then ye had better batten down and
Hold each other, then thy laughing will die.

For we've seen your fellow sailors,
All lying down and drowned.
We've seen ye rot, picked and nibbled,
We've watched and heard the earth grind
your bones and taste your salty blood.
for today ye ride and plough us,
Tomorrow you work and feed us."



C. McKenzie, 5

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PART II

On sunny days I've watched the plough
Man work the brown fields, his horses,
Plastics, seats and metal yokes, his plough
Tempered steel, his boots fresh nugged patches.
He sits like a sack of dead cats, his head
slouched on his shoulders. Maybe he's
contemplating the multitude of worms
Beneath his sweaty feet

The brown earth looks like the butter
He spreads on his toast which he forces
Into the holes and it drops melted
Through to his plate: he licks his
Fingers and drinks his tea. The
Black tempered knife now warm from the
Sun and Friction, spreads his dirty
Life's blood, which will cease to

Flow when he can no longer push
The starter button and plough his field.
He'll probably just sit on the porch and
Maybe watch his sons work if they
Haven't gone to live in tunnels,
Burrowed in concrete like rabbits warrens.
But the fields will begin to hum murdering music.

"Ye have soiled us for too long.
Ye have filled our bellies with tin
Cans and plastic thongs. Ye have
Poured tonnes of milk in our throats
Without waiting for us to swallow. So
How could we help it when it spilled
Over our sunburnt cheeks.

Now we will feed back some of their
Greed. Now it is our turn to be master
We will consume thy thoughts, thy minds
Skin, thy bones will be our pillow.
The worms that will live within thy Skull
Were born in our dark home. The houses
Thou hast built will fall between our

Fingers and we'll unclench our fists and
Raise our arms in freedom. Seven
Thousand years thou hast burnt and raked
Our scalps, why did you not rest
One thousand years of that time
Now your hair will become the building
Materials for birds that fly between

Our green wavy locks, and maybe
Just maybe ye will understand that
Fear which lurks in every heart and in
Every land, is a fear of wandering
In water and sand. But I'll never
get thy mind for that exists out
of time. This flying mind thou hast

Will be able to treat us with the
Dignity we once lacked. "When I
Taste and feel this world I sometimes
Hear voices of warning and it could
Be in a memory or a dream that
I've seen this scene before. So
Roll on Sunrise, Sunset; is the man
On the fence the safest yet?

LE PETIT GARÇON ET LE CANARD

Une fois il y avait un pauvre garçon qui s'appelait Pierre. Un jour, tous les amis de Pierre sont morts, donc Pierre était très triste.

Le lendemain matin, Pierre est allé couper des arbres dans le bois. Soudain un canard a apparu. "Bonjour" a dit le canard. "Je suis André le petit canard. Je suis adorable et doux."

"Est-ce que c'est vrai que des hommes malins voudraient vous tirer à la tête et vous manger?" lui a demandé Pierre.

"C'est correct. Regardez! Ils s'approchent de nous maintenant."

"Vite", a dit Pierre. "Montez à mon vélomoteur. Et tenez-le fort. Dirigeons-nous vers le fleuve."

Les chasseurs conduisaient une Porsche comme la voiture de Monsieur Duynhoven. La situation était grave pour les fugitives.

Enfin le canard a du stationner la moto pour aller à la toilette. Ils ont été attrapés.

"Mon petit garçon, tu peux partir," a dit le chef des hommes. "Va-t'en!" "Mais Pierre a hésité. "Ne tuez pas mon ami. Tuez-moi au lieu de lui. Laissez-moi le sauver, je vous en prie."

Tous les hommes ont trouvé que Pierre était délicieux.

THE LITTLE BOY AND THE DUCK

Once upon a time there was a poor boy named Pierre. One day all his friends died, so Pierre was very sad.

The next day, Pierre went to chop down some trees in the forest. Suddenly a duck appeared. "Hello", said the duck. "I am Andre the duck. I am adorable and sweet."

"Is it true that some nasty men want to shoot you in the head and eat you?" Pierre enquired of him.

"That is correct. Look. Here they come now."

"Quickly," said Pierre, "Jump on my motorbike. And hold on tight. We're heading for the river."

The hunters were driving a white Porsche Targa. The situation was bad for the fugitives.

Eventually the duck had to park the bike to go to the toilet. They were caught.

"You can leave, sonny," said the leader of the men. "Go away!" But Pierre hesitated. "Don't kill my friend. Kill me instead of him. Let me save him I beg you."

All the men agreed that Pierre was delicious.

BLAIR PRITCHARD 6

COMPETITION RESULTS 1986

FORM 3

Essay 1: Leighton Hunt
2: Vaughan Spurdle
3: Dion Ward
Oral reading 1: Rodger Donaldson
2: Shaun Luke
3: Chris Reynolds
Public speaking 1: Millen Baird
2: Oliver Jeffrey
3: Jason Ruakere

FORM 4

Essay 1: Robert Couper
2: Dale Tamaiparea
3: Phillip Richards
Oral Reading 1: Neil Penno
2: Manu Scott
3: Mike Harrison
Public speaking 1: Timothy Baker
2: Matthew Ruakere
3: Andrew Wall

FORM 5

Essay 1: Richard Quin
2: Jody Joseph
3: Duncan Haynes
Oral reading 1: Dennis Bayly
2: Andrew Bullians
3: Wayne Dawson
Public speaking 1: Paul Fenton
2: Duncan Haynes
3: Dean Gorrie

FORM 6

Essat 1: Dale Winter
2: Steven Nightingale
3: Charles de Bueger
Oral reading 1: Ross Pennington
2: Dale Winter
3: Charles de Bueger
Public speaking 1: Charles de Bueger
2: Kevin Lowther
3: Paul Roberts

NATIONAL SHARE COMPETITION

A group of 7th form economics students competed in the national secondary school share investment competition again this year. The amount of money (hypothetical) available to each of the 250 schools was increased this year to \$10,000 initially and a further \$3,000 a fortnight for the next five fortnights. Shares must be bought and sold at current prices with allowances being made for brokerage, stamp duty, dividends and bonus issues. The team which has increased its portfolio by the most at the end is declared the winner.

The team this year had a very slow start being well back in 179th place after the first month. However a mixture of good fortune and some very good buys saw the team improve its position to eventually finish in seventeenth place. Congratulations to the boys involved — hopefully the experience they have gained will be useful to them in the future.

The \$25,000 the team had to invest was increased to a portfolio of \$33,758 by the end of the competition.

D. Armstrong

WORLD VISION FORTY HOUR FAMINE

In 1986 about eighty boys took part in the Forty Hour Famine. A total of over \$900.00 was raised with \$204.00 being handed in by Chris Franklyn. This is the largest amount ever raised by a boy in the school and Chris is to be congratulated on his effort.

David Pearce of Lepperton again gave a talk to several classes about his work in distributing the food supplies bought with the money donated to World Vision. People have expressed concern about whether the food reaches those who really need it, but Mr Pearce left us in no doubt that most of the supplies reach their target. His description of his experiences in the Sudan was fascinating, and was entertaining as well as illuminating.

I would like to thank all the boys who took part in the famine. They have the satisfaction of knowing that their efforts have a valuable and practical result.

J. A. HOWES

FORM 7

Essay 1: Peter Egli
2: Andrew Wilson
3: George Iapson
Oral reading 1: Greg Reynolds
2: Shane Reynolds
Public speaking 1: Peter Egli
2: Bevan Johns
Best creative writing: Steven Nightingale
Best senior original work: Dion Wiggins
Excellence in Oratory: Peter Egli



Presentation of a Bernard Aris to the School by fund raising of Hatherley House

AUDITOR — TV respecta

hora quarta — Schola Iuda — Hodie Magnus Teddus de GST cognoscit.

— Tu et liber tuus — Pubertus cum Ollius Ohlsonus.

hora quinta — Senatorius reportus — praebitus a Davido Langio Caesare.

hora sexta — Nova meridie — Philipus Sherry.

— Dies nostrarum vitarum — Crocodilium in lacuna!

hora septima — Aliquae Matres eos habent — Francus Spencer ad scholam automobiliarium it.

— Magicus Woc — Wonton Marcus hodie rice frictum.

hora octava — Tomus et Jerrius — Hanna Barbera.

hora nona — Post scholam — Ollius et amici

— Smurfes — Pater Smurfis dracones pugnat.

hora decima — Cinema — Medicus Quis et Daleces.

vigilia prima — Dies beati — comoedia moronibus.

— plura mala nova.

— Kohanga reo — hodie habebimus hangi.

Kumera est choice.

— Via Coronationis — Samantha Vulpes agit

Hilda Ogden.

— Villa aperta — metus et odium ex Porirua.

— Secretus libellus Hadriani Moli.

— Documentarius — Cerebrum praefecto deest.

vigilia secunda — Vipera nigra

— Grave saxum — Whamus et ABBA viva ad

Colosseum.

— Sera nova — Finis Orbis Terrarum.

— Vale Kiwi.

Glossary

hora — hour. The Roman day begins with the first hour (6am)

Iuda — play

hodie — today

cognoscit — learns

tu — you

liber — child

praebitus — presented

nova — news

dies — days

nostrarum — of our

lacuna — pool

aliquae — some

habent — (do) have

amici — friends

pugnat — fights

quis — who

beati — happy

mala — bad

vulpes — fox

metus — fear

odium — loathing

praefecto — the President's

deest — is missing

vipera — adder

saxum — rock

viva — live, living

sera — late

orbis terrarum — the world

vale — goodnight, farewell

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

There's one — skinny, scrawny, only fit for a lion's lunch. Beaten and bruised, a social derelict and a fool by any man's standard.

Yet off he goes again.

He never listens to any sane reasoning, the appeal of respected men but prefers the company of 'like minds', the protection of a sympathetic few.

They meet and talk about a two thousand year old legend, a man that died and a god that let it happen. Surely it must be an exhaustable subject at least, but every week — in they go. And then there's those prayer meetings every morning (no less!) and the occasional outbursts of Friday night, weekend, holiday activities and even more lunchtime meetings!

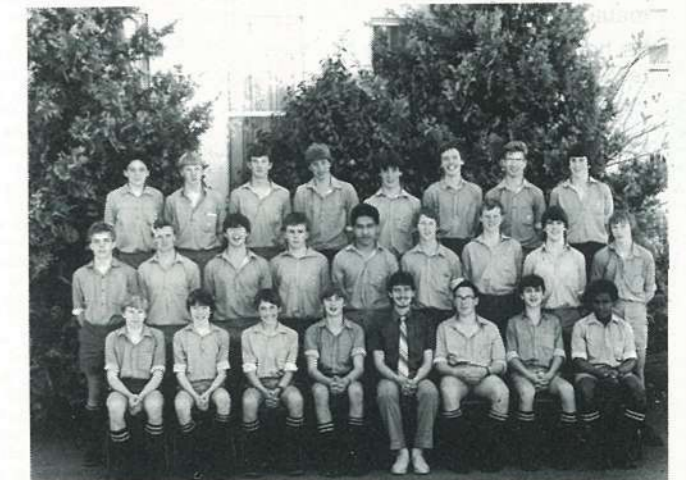
So what's the New Plymouth Boys' Christian Fellowship all about? What do they do behind closed doors?

We have food, fellowship and fun. We talk about today's problems, study the bible, have breakfasts on beaches, teas with other schools, beat (or get beaten by) Girls' High in sport, watch videos, listen to guest speakers, bring morning tea for teachers, have debates (and win!), have snow fights on Egmont, pray for our school, and above all, share in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ whom "God raised from the dead". (Acts 10-40). Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full". That doesn't mean it is easy being a Christian; we have to face the problems of this world too, but we can meet and share the unique joy we have as fellow Christians.

Being a part of an international network of Inter School Christian Fellowships there are opportunities to meet Christians in other schools and go on camps during school holidays as well.

There is one correction, however; we don't meet behind 'closed doors'. If you're a part of this world you have the opportunity to be part of God's family too: "For God so loved the WORLD, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16).

Our doors are open and we welcome you.



CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Back Row: Jason Renau, Carey Clow, Peter Brown, Mark Low, Ian Rust, Matthew Revell, David Stewart, Craig Rust.

Middle Row: Charles de Bueger, Peter Egli, Neal Penno, Simon King, Manila Nosa, Peter Marks, Tim Harland, Colin Penno, Martin McNairney.

Front Row: Jason Holswich, David Lash, Chris O'Halloran, Richard Dobson, Mr Fitzgerald, Tony Sulzberger, Paul Fenton, Chanel Iroi.

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JAPANESE EXCHANGE TRIP

On Sunday the 20th of April, James Hook, Donna Karl, Robyn Edwards from Girls' High and I left for a month of unusual experiences in Japan.

We were not disappointed. From the three-hour bus trip from the airport to school through a concrete jungle to the first meal at about midnight Monday night we were all a bit disorientated with the change in culture. After a few days we had adjusted to the unusual school hours (8.30am to 3.10) and the travelling times, up to two hours by train.

Japan is crowded; 80% of the population is on 20% of the land which shows in Tokyo. Tokyo has a population of approximately thirteen million and is always busy, even at one o'clock Sunday morning. A lot of shops are open twenty to twenty-four hours of the day.

The school organised many trips from a three day trip to Kyoto and Nara to visit temples through to a half day visit to Harajuku which was a trendy shopping area. There is very little fresh air and grass in Tokyo, with land along with everything else being very expensive. A newspaper costs the equivalent of \$1, an apple up to \$2.50 and a small flat is more than \$1000 a month in central Tokyo.

The Japanese have a large proportion of the population who speak English to a varying degree.

Their culture is very Americanised, with baseball and pro wrestling being two of the most popular sports. MacDonalds is standard fair when eating out; everyone dresses in American fashions and listens to American style "pop" music except for a few Heavy Metallers. Most items contain a few words of English on them.

If you get the chance to experience the way of life in Japan, take it.

Chris Bridgeman

Mihi ki a Mr Hone Fletcher

Tena koe i Hone Fletcher.

To nohohanga ki te kura o nga taitama o Taranaki e waru tau in 1978 ki Akuhata, 1986.

Nau e whaka-timata te akotanga o te Reo Maori i tenei kura. Ko maua e tupu mai; e tupu tonu ana.

He mihi aroha nui kia koe mo to taonga ko mahui mai ki a maua; kia matou; te Kura.

Ko hoki koe ki te kainga o au Tupuna, me ki o Rangatira o te Wa'i Pounamu.

"Ka mate kainga tahi, ka ora kainga rua."

E ki ana te korero

He pounamu; He tangata; He taonga nui "Ko koe tenei"

Kati nga mihi kia koe

Arohanui ki to whanau;

Ma te atua koutou he manaki;

He tiaki e nga wa katoa.

Tena koe, Tena koe, Tena koe

Kaore koe e warewarehia e tenei kura — Ka kite ano.

Kia Ora tatau katoa

Kia Ora ta tatau kura

Na — Alan Foster me Derrin Simpson — Whamu Ono Maori.

Mihi to Mr John Fletcher

Greetings to you, John Fletcher.

Your stay at N.P.B.H.S. lasted eight years from 1978 to August 1986.

You started to teach the Maori language at this school.

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Chris Bridgeman, front left; James Hook, back, second left

SAM HUNT COMES TO SCHOOL

Poet, person extraordinaire, Sam Hunt came to school on Friday, 19th September. In his inimitable style he gave a performance of himself and of his poetry and that of other New Zealand poets that will be remembered long after other things of this year have faded. The senior school (5th, 6th, 7ths) heard and saw a total, rapid-paced presentation.

Some of the poems included **The Old Boy**. In every boy there is a man/In every man a boy. **No Exit** for Michael Smither "a man can go no further", **Fossils** dealing with life in prison "Death in the eye . . . possum on the road . . . Little man, I meant you no harm", **Bottle Battle Death** about his son Tom and a bad marriage, **Going Out at Forty, Death of My Father**. Poems of J. K. Baxter, Alistair Campbell, Dylan Thomas and the lyrics of Bruce Springsteen were also included.

In answer to a question about what is poetry Sam said poetry is more than just what is written in books. Poems were performed in olden times well before they ever came to be in written form. Good poetry makes you want to react or respond. It should be enjoyable. Sam's poetry is allied to some extent to dreams and uses some elements of that form of imagination. The rhythm and topic must be something that the performer can feel comfortable with.

Sam's life is poetry and his poems are a record of that life. In the hour we saw a keenly aware, word-intoxicated, sensitive, extrovert, famous New Zealander.

We two grew from this and we are still growing.

We give our sincere thanks to you, for the gift you have left to us both and to us all, the school.

You have returned to the home of your ancestors, to the land of the chiefs of the valuable greenstone.

"One home's loss is another home's gain".

There is a saying "Knowledge and man — A great treasure".

Enough of the praises to you!

Kind regards and best wishes to your family.

May the good-Lord support and care for you all at all times.

Thank you three times.

You will not be forgotten by this school.

See you again. Good luck and good health from us all.

By Alan Foster and Derrin Simpson.

Form 6 Maori.



MID WINTER MADNESS OR, JUST SILLY SWIMMING



STRIKE! It's cold!

MID WINTER SWIM

As I lent over to turn off my alarm I realised that today was the day of the mid winter swim. Luckily the night before I had placed on the floor my attire for the event. This consisted of togs, tracksuit pants, jeans, woolly socks, T shirt, sweatshirt, jersey, Swannndri and last but not least my NPBHS scarf.

The car lurched out of the driveway into the steady stream of traffic which lead to Ngamotu Beach. When I got nearer to the beach I could see that I wasn't going to get a park but to my surprise I spotted the motorists 'pot of gold' under the trees not too far away. I climbed out of the car and witnessed the awesome sight of eight hundred or so barely clad boys.

breakfast, he walked in and told me I could take his prized possession, the car. The car lurched out of the driveway into the steady stream of traffic which lead to Ngamotu Beach. When I got nearer to the beach I could see that I wasn't going to get a park but to my surprise I spotted the motorists 'pot of gold' under the trees not too far away. I climbed out of the car and witnessed the awesome sight of eight hundred or so barely clad boys.

After the Haka I found myself running towards the water. At that point I wondered if I was sane. I stopped to think as the waves crashed at my knees, but not for long. Some yahoo screaming and carrying on ran straight into me and I went under. When I resurfaced I was facing in towards the shore where people were racing for towels and other clothing items.

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Strange Kiwi Custom

About a couple of weeks back Mr Bublitz informed us that we would be taking part in a strange custom to raise money; it was called the 'mid-winter swim'. So on Friday the 20th near the shortest day of the year, I headed off to Ngamotu Beach to partake in this strange ritual. I arrived at about 7.00 to find the area packed with cars. After finding a suitable spot I then observed strange creatures (some

wearing black wetsuits) heading for the beach. I followed these creatures hoping to find out what to do. The gun went and we all piled into the sea! Most people went in and straight out again except for the creatures clad in black wetsuits. After the swim I was not cold; in fact the water was a lot warmer than I thought it would be.

M. RUAKERE

WE LIVED AFTER

Once upon time the top brass at NPBHS and the PTA came up with the most illogical way of raising money. They decided that the pupils of NPBHS were going to go for a swim at Ngamotu beach. That is the good part. They also decided that we were going to do it at 7.00 one freezing morning. This meant that students living further away had to be up at 5.30 to 6.00am. Well, when we all arrived and assembled at the beach (800 boys and about 300 others) we were told to do the haka. It was really a pretty pitiful attempt to

summon up the gods of fire, but we did it anyway. We were then supposed to wait until the gun went off and then go in house at a time. However, it was a bit too cold and everyone streamed towards the water, got cold and wet and then streamed back up on to the beach again, got changed and went home. That was excitement for the day. But the moral of the story is that you can raise \$13,000 just by getting wet, and as far as I know we all lived happily every after.

W. ALSWEILER



I'm not really drunk!

M. HANCOCK

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SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

Thursday, November 7th, 1985

FIFTH FORM PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Accounting and English (Daily News Prize): Peter Mitchell.

Art: Christopher Barry and Ross Pennington.

Engineering Shopwork (Trade Tools Ltd Prize) (Best Student): Carey Clow.

Engineering Shopwork (Practical): Ashley Cottam.

French (French Embassy Prize): Blair Pritchard.

Geography and Technical Drawing: Brent Mitchell.

Horticulture: Gordon Robertson.

Maori: Alan Foster.

Mathematics (School Certificate): Aaron Mahura.

Science: Reed Jeffrey.

Woodwork (Theory): John Vink.

Woodwork (Scott Commercial Prize) (Practical): Karl May.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS

3rd Aggregate: Andrew Gray (1st in Music).

2nd Aggregate: Scott Mackenzie (1st in History).

1st Aggregate: Paul Roberts (1st in Latin, 1st in Economics, 1st in 3rd year class working at Form 6 Mathematics (Donald Mackie Memorial Prize)).

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Philip Hanser, Sam Buchanan, Nicholas Young.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificate: 3rd Andrew Slater; 2nd Scott Mackenzie.

1st Prize: Simon King.

ESSAY

Certificate: 3rd John Bishop; 2nd Neil McKee.

1st Prize: Peter Mitchell.

ORAL READING

Certificate: 3rd Craig Lilley; 2nd Blair Pritchard; 1st Brent Mitchell.

SIXTH FORM PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Accounting (Tabor Prize): Trevor Thomas.

Advanced Mathematics (Tabor Prize): Ross Dixon.

Art (Tabor Prize): Paul Jensen.

Biology (Tabor Prize): Bart Hofstee.

Chemistry (Tabor Prize) and Mathematics (Tabor Prize): Stephen Blakelock.

Construction (Tabor Prize) (Theory): Craig Hibell.

Construction (C. F. Millward Prize) (Practical): Cameron Aird.

Economics (Tabor Prize): Karl Phillips.

French (French Embassy Prize): Craig Barkley.

Geography (Tabor Prize): Paddy Crofskey.

History (Tabor Prize): Greg Reynolds.

Industrial Technology (Olex Canzac Cables Prize) (Theory): Nigel Kelly.

Industrial Technology (James Clouston Memorial Prize) (Project): Stephen Peacock.

Music (Tabor Prize): David Stewart.

Physical Education (Tabor Prize): David Burbidge.

Physics (Hurle Cup) (Most Improved Student): Vipul Patel.

Technical Drawing (Tabor Prize) (Theory): John Abbot.

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS

3rd Aggregate (Tabor Prize): Angus Stewart (1st in Latin).

2nd Aggregate (Tabor Prize): Brent Cathie (1st in Physics, 2nd in Biology, 2nd in Advanced Mathematics, 2nd in Technical Drawing, 2nd in Chemistry).

1st Aggregate (Tabor Prize and Harrison Cup): Shane Reynolds (1st in English, 1st in Technical Drawing Project (L. V. Giddy Memorial Prize), 2nd in U.E. Mathematics, 2nd in Chemistry).

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Peter Egli, Christopher Phong, Richard Sheather.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificate: 3rd Bevan Johns.

1st Prize and Excellence in Oratory (Wade Scott Cup): Peter Egli.

ESSAY

Certificate: 2nd Bryan Gascoigne.

1st Prize and Certificate for 2nd in Oral Reading: Jason Maclean.

ORAL READING

Certificate: 3rd Roger Smillie.

Certificate: 1st and for 2nd in Public Speaking and 3rd in Essay: Kitt Littlejohn.

SEVENTH FORM PRIZES

Subject Prizes

Applied Mathematics (Harrop Prize): Kerry Brine.

Art History and Geography (David Bennett Prize): Thomas Ong.

English Language (John Brodie Memorial Prize): Robert Johansson.

History: Kheong Loh.

Mathematics: Mark Billingham.

Practical Art: Darryn Jensen.

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Affendi Bin Abdul Aziz, Zainal Bin Nagin, Jeffrey Bellringer.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificates: 2nd = Jeremy King; 2nd = and for 2nd in Essay and for 2nd in Oral Reading: Craig Wadsworth.

1st Prize: John Wanofafia.

ESSAY

Certificate: 3rd Thomas Ong.

1st Prize: Barry Van de Water.

ORAL READING

Certificate: 3rd Robert Barnard; 1st Ranil Sharma.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Choir General Excellence (Faull Challenge Cup): David Stewart.

Most Outstanding Brass Player (Port Nicholson Cup): Simon Davenport.

Best Creative Writing (Ward Cup and Prize): Jason Maclean.

Best Senior Original Work (Heurtley Memorial Prize): Peter Mitchell.

Excellence in Drama: Kitt Littlejohn.

Best Performing Artist of the Year (Colleges' Cup): Greg Reynolds.

Best Cadet (Sole Cup and Prize): Craig Wadsworth.

Best Perseverance and School Spirit Demonstrated in a Form 5 or 6 Maori Student (Laurie Herdman Memorial Prize): Derrin Simpson.

Best Polynesian Student (Maori and Island Affairs Prize): John Wanofafia.

Excellence in Humanities (Sheila Prentice Cup and Prize): Thomas Ong.

Head Boarder (Eggleton Cup and Prize): Allan Mills.

Head Boy (Brookman Cup and Prize in conjunction with The Clement Cave Scholarship) and for loyalty, diligence, initiative, and outstanding service to the school (Jack West Centennial Medallion) and general excellence (Fookes Cup and Prize) and Proxime Accessit (McLeod Memorial Prize in conjunction with The Clement Cave Scholarship): Simon Davenport (1st in Biology, 1st in Physics, 2nd in Chemistry).

Dux (Academic Excellence Cup and N.P.O.B. Association Prize in conjunction with The Clement Cave Scholarship): Craig Wadsworth (1st in Chemistry, 1st in Accounting, 1st in Economics, 1st in English).

SPORTS AWARDS 1985

Senior:

Long Jump: Bruce Hall 6B5, 5.44m

Shot: Shane Brown 6D2, 11.62m

Discus: Shane Brown 6D2, 35.75m

Javelin: Ian Wilson 6S8, 45.6m

Triple Jump: Kalfau Kaloris 7B2, 11.55m

Intermediate:

1500m: Warren Grady 5B2, 4:40.1

Javelin: Stuart Chapman 5D3, 36.31m

Junior:

200m: Neil Penno 3H9, 26.7s

Long Jump: Aaron Wallace 3S4, 5.11m

High Jump: Campbell Thompson 3S8, 1.46m

Triple Jump: Dino Crane 4D4, 10m

Shot: Rodney Seu 3S2, 10.72m

Discus: Rodney Seu 3S2, 28.19m

Javelin: Rodney Seu 3S2, 32.85m

Field Events Garlic Cup: Rodney Seu 3S2.

Senior:

100m: Old Boys Cup — Anthony Dicker 6D8, 11.8s

200m: Herbert Smith Cup — Anthony Dicker 6D8, 24.4s

110m Hurdles: Noakes Cup — Anthony Dicker 6D8, 19.27s

400m: Old Boys Shield — Simon Davenport 7D8, 57.6s

800m: Mason Memorial Cup — Lindsay Pilbrow 6H5, 2:16.47s

1500m: Fookes Cup — Lindsay Pilbrow 6H5, 4:45.0s

Intermediate:

200m: Challenge Cup — Christopher Carrick 5D8, 25s

400m: Bothamley Cup — Christopher Carrick 5D8, 1:01s

Long Jump: Cartwright Cup — Christopher Carrick 5D8, 5.65m

100m Hurdles: Marsh Cup — Christopher Carrick 5D8, 17.33s

800m: Gilmour Cup — Christopher Barry 5D7, 2:21.04

Discus: Edmonds Trophy — Douglas Mace 5H1, 38.62m

Shot: Douglas Mace 5H1, 12.6m

Junior:

100m: Bennett Cup — Jeffrey Chapman 3D9, 13.1s

400m: Harmon Cup — Mitchell Cryer 3D6, 1:05.6

800m: Houston Cup — Robert Saker 3S9, 2:26.82

1500m: Grieve Cup — Ricky Fowler 3B2, 4:50.99

100m: Hurdles Marsh Cup — Jason Heath 4B6, 16.81s

Cross Country:

Senior: 1911 Cup — Steven Kendall 4B9

Intermediate: Herbert Smith Cup — Warren Grady 5B2

Intermediate Champion: Christopher Carrick

Senior Champion: Anthony Dicker

Athlete of the Year:

Gary Towler Cup — Douglas Mace

Swimming Champions:

Senior: Sykes Memorial Cup — Bevan Johns 6B4

Intermediate: Challenge Cup — Philip Venables 5S8

Badminton Champions:

Senior: Cook & Lister Cup — Craig Barclay 6D7

Tennis Champions:

Senior: Candy Cup — Tristram Duncan 5D1

Intermediate: McKeon Cup — Andrew Pennefather 5H2

Most Improved Player: Burgess Cup — Andrew Pennefather 5H2

Cricket:

2nd XI Most Improved Player: Giddy Shield — Rodney Bishop 5D7

1st XI Batting: Meuli Cup — Grant Cross 6D8

1st XI Bowling: Parkinson Memorial — Neil Downing 7D5

Contributed the most to Cricket: Alistair Jordan Cup — Neil Burbidge 6D8

Soccer:

1st XI Most Improved Player: Burmester Trophy — Timothy Groenestein 6B1

Contributed most to the Team: Coaches Cup — Henry Vira 7S5

Hockey:

1st XI Most Improved Player: Simonson Cup — Koen Groot 6B5

Basketball:

1st V Most Improved Player: Peter Lay Trophy — Dean Larsen

Rugby:

1st XV Contributed the most to Rugby: Leuthart Cup — Paul Mackenzie 7H7

1st XV: Supporters Most Improved Player: Watts Cup — James Douglas 6D8

3rd Former showing Leadership and Skills: Jason Duckett Memorial Trophy — Gordon Slater 3S9

Skiing:

Senior Champion: Ohakune Old Boys Trophy — Brendan Boon 7D6

Surfing:

Whitaker Memorial Trophy: NPBHS

Dayboys v Boarders

Swimming: Dempsey Shield: Dayboys

Rugby: Pease Cup — Boarders

Inter-house:

Swimming: Burnbank Cup — Barak

Rugby: Kerr Cup — Syme

Soccer: Holden Cup — Syme

Athletics: Hansard Cup — Donnelly

Overall House Champions:

Cramond Cup — Donnelly

Sportsman of the Year:

Colleges Trophy — Brendan Boon, David Burbidge

JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING

Thursday, December 5th, 1985

THIRD FORM PRIZES

Business Studies: Andrew Wall

Latin: Marshall Couper

Maori: Manu Scott

Metalwork: Keith Cross

Technical Drawing: Raymond Landon

Woodwork: Andrew Simons

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS

3rd Aggregate: Neil Holdom (2nd in English, 3rd in Mathematics)

2nd Aggregate: Gareth Thomas (1st in Art, 1st in Music)

1st Aggregate: Lindsay Thomas (1st in English, 1st in Mathematics, 1st in Science, 1st in Social Studies, 1st in French)

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Grant Brinkhurst, Andrew Harvie

Certificates

Tony Sulzberger (English and Maths)

Bryce Martin (English and Maths)

Gareth Meredith (English and French)

Brendon Bellamy (English, Science and Social Studies)

Nicholas Andrew (English and Social Studies)

Scott Cleland (English and Social Studies)

Paul Goodsell (Maths and Technical Drawing)

Paul Newsome (English and Science)

Gavin Hudson (English and Social Studies)

Brendon Eden (English and Maths)

Grant Holmes (English and Science)

Matthew Lees (English, Social Studies and Business Studies)

Shane Kelly (Social Studies and Business Studies)

Conway Squire (Social Studies and Woodwork)

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Certificate: 3rd Gareth Thomas, 2nd Warren Pratt

1st Prize: Warren Shields

ESSAY

Certificate: 3rd Darrin Bride, 2nd Christopher King
1st Prize: Leon McIntyre

ORAL READING

Certificate: 3rd Wayne Dickson, 2nd Tony Kana, 1st Thomas Buchanan

FOURTH FORM PRIZES

SUBJECT PRIZES

Art: James Quinn
English: Paul Shearer
Horticulture: Peter Baxendale
Latin: Gregory Scrivin
Mathematics: (Wattie Wilkie Memorial Prize) (Student Making Most Progress): Andrew Brooke
Metalwork: (Trade Tool Ltd. Prize): Wayne Hayman
Technical Drawing: Richard Quin and Roy Abbot
Woodwork: Willard Temata

GENERAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

3rd Aggregate: Murray Pugh (1st in Science, 1st in Music 1st in Business Studies)
2nd Aggregate: Cameron Greig (2nd in Technical Drawing, 2nd in English, 2nd in French)
1st Aggregate: Duncan Haynes (1st in Mathematics, 1st in Social Studies, 1st in French (French Embassy Prize), 1st in Maori)

EFFORT AND PROGRESS

Wayne Dawson, Blair McKinnon, Karl Wipatene, Howard Silby
Certificates: Greg Sharman (English, Science and Business Studies)
Mark Farley (English and Social Studies)
Dion West (English and Social Studies)
Paul Fenton (English and Technical Drawing)
James Stewart (English and Social Studies)
Andre Heather (English and Science)
Chris Franklyn (English Social Studies and Business Studies)
Stephen Kendall (English and Social Studies)
Robert Busing (Maths and Social Studies)
Bryn Thompson (Maths, Social Studies and Business Studies)
Warren Moetara (Science and Latin)
Matthew Revell (Science and Social Studies)
Kurt Jonas (Social Studies and Technical Drawing)
PUBLIC SPEAKING
Certificate: 3rd Matthew Revell, 2nd and 3rd in Essay Paul Fenton
1st Prize and Moss Cup: Jason Cleary

ESSAY

Certificate: 2nd Dino Crane
1st Prize and Rex Dowding Memorial Cup: Howard Silby

ORAL READING

Certificate: 3rd Duane Burt, 2nd Murray Fox, 1st Duncan Haynes

SPECIAL PRIZES

Junior Chorister (Urquhart Trophy): Murray Pugh
Most Improved Brass Player (Gibbs Cup): Lindsay Thomas
Most Improved Woodwind Player (Boyd Cup): Robert Lyall
Most Outstanding String Player (Hatherly Memorial Prize): Duncan Haynes
Best Junior Original Work: Howard Silby
Math-Art Contest Prize in Research and Design: Murray Pugh
Math-Art Contest Prize in Models: Duncan Haynes
Math-Art Contest Prize in String-Art: Philip Richards
For Academic, Sporting and Cultural Excellence in Form 3 (Cave Bursary): Lindsay Thomas
For Academic, Sporting and Cultural Excellence in Form 4 (Cave Bursary): Duncan Haynes

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100m Hurdles: Marsh Cup — Jason Heath 16.81s
Field Events and Junior Champion: Garlic Cup — Rodney Seu

Intermediate

100m: Beckbessinger Cup — Andrew Bunn 12.2s

CROSS COUNTRY:

Junior: Noakes Cup — Ricky Fowler
Senior: 1911 Cup — Steven Kendall

SWIMMING CHAMPION:

Junior: Fox Cup — Jason Fisher

BADMINTON CHAMPION:

Junior: Issac Cup — Bryce Martin

TENNIS CHAMPION:

Junior: Herbert Smith Cup — Sean McFall

RUGBY:

3rd Formers showing leadership and skills: Jason Duckett Memorial Trophy — Gordon Slater

BOXING:

Outstanding Performance: Karlo Marsden
Most Promising Junior: Jeremy Odom



Master builder — M. Grimwood framed by the new Engineering Project Shop



Sportsman of the Year: Stephen Venables and Best Performing Artist: David Stewart.

REPRESENTATIVE AWARDS 1986

Head Boy: Matthew Simons

Head Boarder: Braide Coplestone

Council: Patrick Crofskey, Grant Cross, Stuart Dempster, David Hine, Bevan Johns, Boyd Gardner, Nicholas Maxwell, James McKillop, Greg Mills, Bruce Wills, Nigel Webb, Jamie Strode, Peter Egli.

Cadets: Patrick Crofskey.

Swimming: Steven Venables, Bevan Johns, Stephen Johns.

Tennis: Tristram Duncan, Andrew Pennefather, Michael Weston, Tony Roberts, Karl Aldrich, David Rydon.

Cricket: Stuart Dempster, Grant Cross, Colin Downing, Richie Sheather, Karl O'Dowda, Stuart Chapman, Rodney Bishop, Jason Burbidge, Brett Cronin, Michael Carr.

Athletics: Chris Carrick, Warren Grady, Douglas Mace, Andrew Bunn, James McKillop, Stan Kalauni, Simon Manu, Tony Aitken.

Music: Murray Pugh, Duncan Haynes, Patrick Lyall, Michael Ekdahl, Peter Smale, Arthur de Grey, David Stewart, Dennis Baty.

GOLF: Grant Moorhead.

Rugby: Nicholas Maxwell, Paul Jensen, Stan Kalauni, Boyd Gardiner, Braide Coplestone, Jamie Strode, Andrew Slater, James Douglas, Bruce Wills, Jody Brewer, Leon Hayson, Dudley Asi, Stuart Chapman, Chris Carrick, Andrew Bunn, Tristram Duncan.

Badminton: Craig Barkley, Willard Temata, Wade Alswailer.

Soccer: John Obed, Matthew Korinihona, Matthew Simons, Alan Copeman, David Hine, Stephen Blakelock, Colin Downing, Joses Kenneth, Craig Moles, Jason Carter, Stephen Matheson, Jonas George, Tim Groenestein.

Basketball: Scott Boniface, Scott McEwen, Tony Roberts, Tony Dew, Grant Cross, Rhys George, Dean Shorter, Graham Sands, Jason Fisher, Andrew Hocken.

Hockey: Jamie MacKenzie, Andrew Darke, Guy Vickers, Richard Watson, Dylan Cleaver, Justin Brownlie, Duane Burt, Karl Phillips, Michael Ekdahl, Koen Groot, Tony Little, Jason Peacock.

THE AWARDS DINNER

This year's awards dinner was held on the evening of Thursday October 12 and was attended by a record eighty-seven boys and staff.

During the course of the evening Stephen Venables was presented with the Sportsman of the Year Trophy and David Stewart with the cup for the Best Performing Artist. The stage band obliged with a bracket of three numbers and the evening was admirably rounded off by a most interesting and entertaining address from Mr John MacDonald, a past captain of the New Zealand Basketball team and all round sportsman.

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CADETS

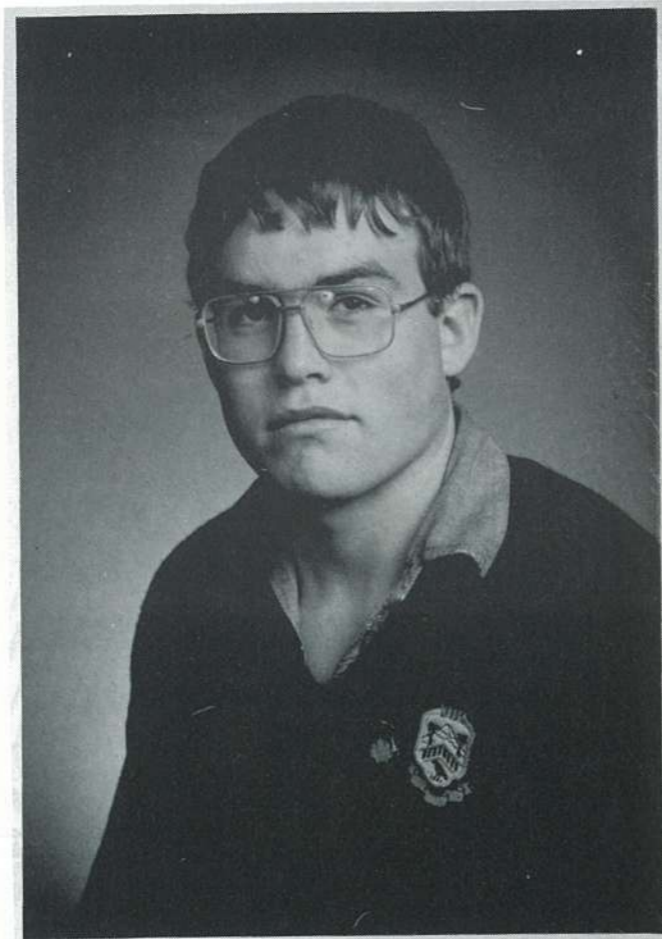
Once again the unit was made up of a hundred volunteer cadets, NCO's and under Officers plus five Officers. The training afternoons held in terms one and three were devoted mainly to drill, weapon training, map reading and first aid but with an emphasis placed on weapon training in an attempt to raise the standard of shooting within the unit.

A three-day two-night bivouac exercise held in April proved to be a great success. First year cadets were introduced to both camp and bushcraft and the more senior boys took part in a difficult compass/map-reading/orienteering type exercise.

The assistant secretary of the High School Board Major Russell flew over the site and some boys practised a ground to air communication exercise. The ever popular night stalk provided its usual number of humorous incidents and minor mishaps associated with electric fences, barberry bushes, cow pats etc.

During the May holidays eight cadets attended a junior NCO course at Linton Military Camp while a further four corporals qualified on their senior NCO's promotion course at Ngaruawahia. Greg Mills and Craig Imbs gained promotion to the rank of Under Officer during the August vacation.

At the time of writing the Unit is about to undertake another three-day exercise near the Kaitake Ranges and at the final parade Lieutenant Colonel Carroll will be farewelled from the unit. Colonel Carroll will have been with the unit for twenty-nine years the last fifteen of which he has been the Commanding Officer.

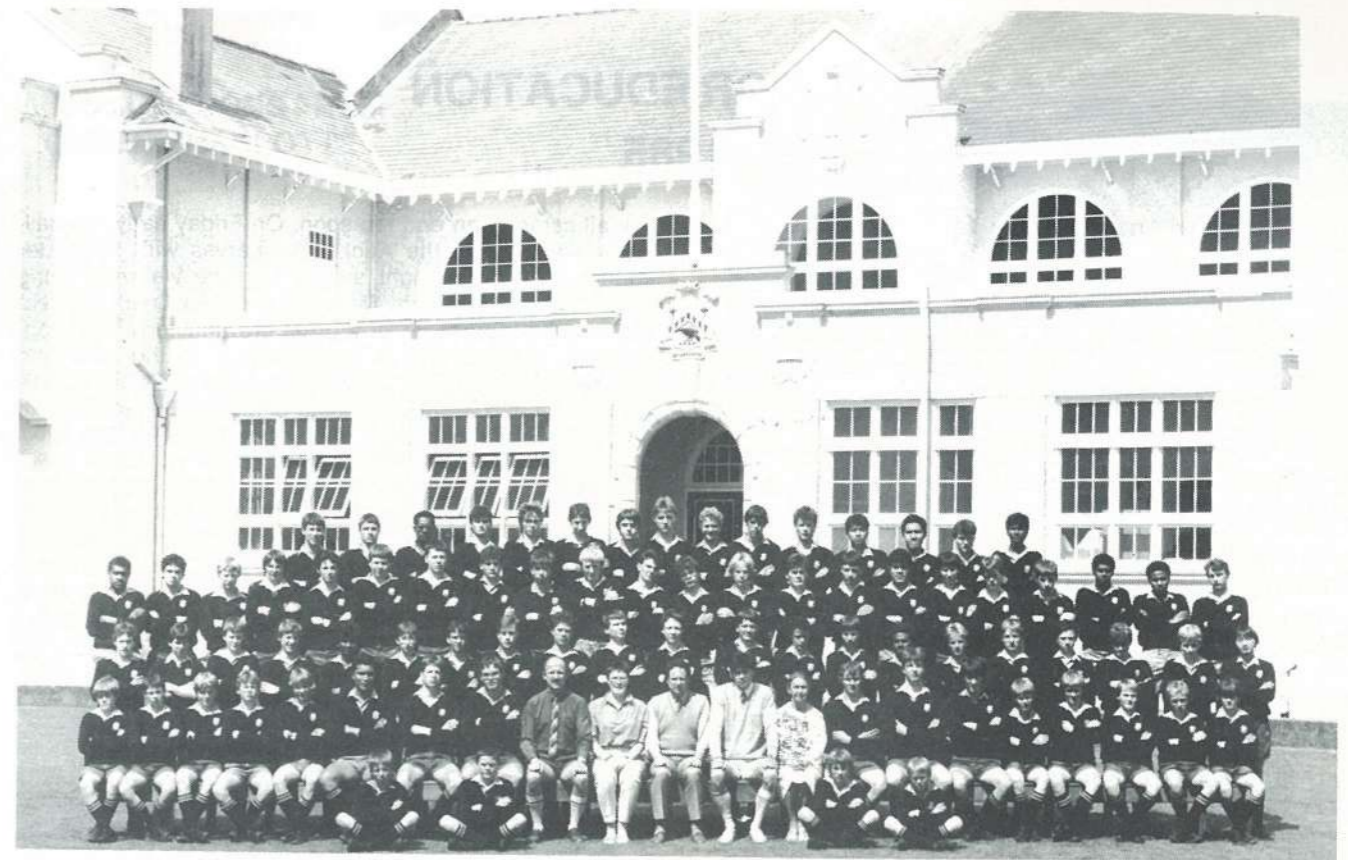


Head Boarder: BRAIDE COPLESTONE



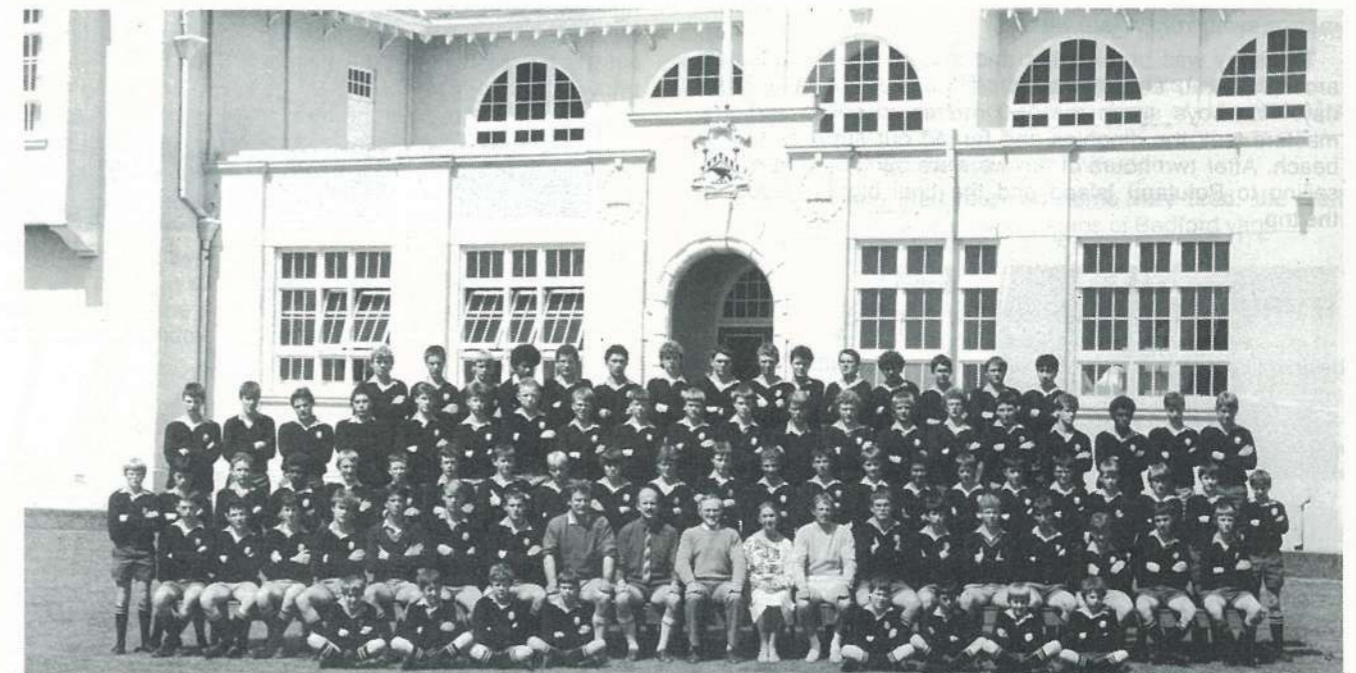
Smart Road Camp

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CARRINGTON HOUSE

- D. Wiggins, J. Jonas, I. Kalsakau, B. Bellamy, G. Jones, N. Andrew, L. Robbins, C. Thompson, A. Rueb, D. Walters, B. Wallis, S. Kalauni, M. Nosa, M. Pratt, A. Kashyap.
- J. George, T. Duncan, J. Davie, S. Davies, R. Taylor, N. Hemmings, G. Salla, T. Kana, B. Winder, A. Morris, S. Lester, W. McCallum, D. Price, T. Frew, A. Breach, A. Siakimotu, M. Andrew, G. Hastie, B. Beaven, J. Obed, J. Kenneth, A. Crawshaw.
- A. Mills, N. Priest, M. Bielski, D. Kay, E. Ediriwira, G. Goodson, E. Jonas, J. Dalmer, L. Edwards, K. Macarthur, H. Gellately, K. Thompson, K. Jonas, A. Graamans, G. Iapson, R. Candy, S. Pratt, D. Commerer, K. Crawshaw, C. Norris, C. Lee.
- G. Dodd, C. Scadden, B. Buchanan, I. Redington, M. Fox, J. Douglas, M. Pitts-Brown, B. Coplestone (Head Boarder), Mr J. Laurenson (Senior Hostel Master), Miss R. Mabin (Housemaster), Mr T. Heaps (Senior Housemaster), Mr J. Rowlands (Housemaster) Mrs D. Leggett (Matron), G. Robertson, B. Mitchell, R. Walter, S. Clarke, B. Schrader, J. Schrader.
- I. Burr, H. Smith, M. Jonas, P. Maxwell.



MOYES HOUSE

- Front Row: Left: R. Coley, S. Gorrie, J. Moreland, G. Meredith, K. Anderson, W. Aldridge, A. House, B. Bryant.
- Second Row: A. Lof, D. Gorrie, K. Cross, R. Jeffery*, N. Webb*, J. Abbott*, C. Carrick, (Head of Moyes) K. O'Keefe, (Ass't Housemaster) J. Laurenson, (Hostel Manager) J. Howes, (Housemaster) D. Leggett, (Matron) D. Finlayson, (Ass't Housemaster), B. Coplestone, (Head Boarder) C. Hogg*, M. Barrack*, O. Frenz, A. Cole, R. Saker, R. Mills. *Prefects.
- Third Row: A. Hills, A. Te Kanawa, W. Evans, C. Iroi, B. Eden, S. Hogg, A. Huston, C. Ekdahl, K. Hawley, M. Cryer, M. Lester, O. Jeffery, A. Bryant, B. Simpkin, B. Granville, J. Campbell, B. Honeyfield, B. Robertson, B. Hall, J. Bryant, K. Leuthart, B. Vincent, D. Cole.
- Fourth Row: R. Helms, C. Squire, D. Reed, A. Bullians, L. Robbins, J.L. Quinn, N. Wallace-Wells, A. Wilson, A. Harvie, D. Jackson, M. Lees, S. Wynyard, C. Stewart, J. Campbell, J. Fields, T. Paget, C. Gaze, M. Korinihona, N. Young, G. Holmes.
- Back Row: S. Brimelow, W. Shields, R. Abbott, W. Tesua, J. Darke, G. Stafford, T. Johnson, R. Austin, G. Mills, M. Stewart, S. Tilley, T. Brimelow, B. Richmond, M. Reed, G. Tiaon.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

1985

We were lucky! There were ten ventures offered to the third forms for Outdoor Education Week after the end-of-year examinations and one was the unexpected opportunity of going sailing in the Hauraki Gulf. Mr Phillip Hogg, an Old Boy with sons in boarding, made his 52 foot yacht, the "Southern Voyager", available to the school complete with crewmaster or captain! The cost per boy was a fantastic \$85.00 which included air travel to and from Auckland and all food.

Eighteen of us made it and Mr Cooper, an experienced yachtsman, was in charge, supported by Mr Krook, a real enthusiast about boats. Our cooks, would you believe were, Mr T. T. Ryder our Headmaster, and Mr McIntyre, Chairman of the Board of Governors!

The adventure was action-packed from the start with a bouncy approach to Auckland Airport in torrential rain and one of us was sick on the bus ride to the Auckland waterfront! By late afternoon Monday we were on board and off by motor power to Rangitoto Island and the pattern for the week began — half of us in on-shore camp and half on board for the night.

On Tuesday in winds gusting to 35 knots we had two pounding sailing experiences with everyone not sailing climbing to the top of Rangitoto's startling cinder cone for a spectacular view of Auckland city and the Gulf.

Wednesday saw the weather ease and under blue skies and in a steady 25 knot wind we set sail for Kawau Island with everyone having a turn at the wheel. What a life! Kawau is a beautiful island — no wonder Governor Grey chose to build the Mansion House by the waterfront and live there. The bush comes down from the hills to the water's edge; fishing was good and not too many can claim to have eaten out-of-doors in sight of Mansion House and the bay. (Six cruising yachts moved there that night) with peacocks giving spectacular tail displays ten metres away from where we ate!

Thursday was burning hot and in light winds we sailed around Kawau and anchored off Matangi Island at mid-day. The boys swam the 150 metres to shore and the masters took the dinghies and ferried our supplies to the beach. After two hours of fun we were back on board and sailing to Potutapu Island and the final big barbecue of the trip.

It all came to an end too soon. On Friday early, we sailed gently back to the Auckland wharves with the water sparkling in the sunlight and in no time we were flying back to New Plymouth. Mucking about in boats is great but we had the benefit of a great crewmaster in Mr Montgomery, and we are all most grateful to the staff who organised everything without fuss but especially Mr P. Hogg. May this be the beginning of an Old Boy tradition to make beautiful yachts available to the school!



Southern Voyager



We are sailing ...

RECOLLECTIONS FROM QUEEN CHARLOTTE

At last the journey's started — it's an adventure for me — yes I am excited as we load on to the launch. There's another school with us, co-ed, scruffy and scrambling over our packs: "Hey you get off our gear". Good that's got rid of them.

Where's the map — here — I see that's where we are, Totea Bay; there's the island — Endeavour Inlet. The boys are relatively quiet, bored I should think as it has been about an hour. Here we are at Ship's Cove. I can see Motuara Island with tiers of palisades, canoes by the shore; I can see explorers' vessels standing off shore, whalers on the beach with the try-pot going; I can see the Endeavour careened and the camp on the beach with the men getting herbs and wood. The others only see the stark white monument.

Packs on — and up the hill — let's get away from that other school and be on our own. The track is steep, cool, moist and smells of the bush. Slowly the inexperienced, the heavy laden, the unwilling, the footsore, the tired and the lazy filter to the back of the line. My end of the line is becoming the weeping end of the world — ah! at last a break for lunch! Mr Carter does some sorting out and on we go — yes — on we go, forever upward. Oh they should rename this track the trail of tears as the new recruits — tenderfeet I think they used to be called — are broken to the trail. The day is long and Mr Carter's tongue rasps us along — "No rest here, keep going!" Across the bay we see our destination but the cooling of the afternoon tells us that we are not going to make it before dark.

At last civilisation. What? Two dollars for a launch trip across the bay that would save us a four hour tramp. We clatter aboard. A short walk up to the camp site — it's small and the teachers flog the best site; Paddy's got a fire going — food, rest and comfort.

Next day — up and off. Here's the road, here's the sign "7 hours to desination, no water enrouté" — up we go, up we go. For two solid hours we trudge up and still the hill stands before us going up. At last the summit and beyond another hill, and another, and another stretching away to the blue distance. We keep going. The reward for reaching every corner is to see the track rising up to the next corner; the reward for every summit is to see the next summit beckoning us.

As the sky greys we start slowly down. There below like a green postage stamp is the camp. A day's toil is over in the beauty of the sounds on a perfect day, and tomorrow to be spent in indolent bliss.



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Sunny daze.

KIRITEHERE CAMP

Kiritehere Camp is located between Marakopa and Waikawau and is a disused school converted into an outdoor education centre with good accommodation and kitchen facilities. On Monday morning about forty boys accompanied by Messrs Mossop, Butler, Dynhoven and Lander set off in a bus, and, after a false start caused by a wet distributor, by a rental van. It was an omen of things to come! The boys were divided into three groups which cycled through such activities as canoeing, climbing Mt Pehematea and caving. Some highlights of the trip were:

- Mr Mossop instructing canoeing on a swollen river the first day of which left one boy (who shall remain nameless) clinging desperately to a willow tree in midstream while his canoe disappeared downstream.
- The rental van requiring an overhaul of its ignition system.
- Mr Dynhoven not losing anybody down a hole in the caves this year.
- Mr Butler catching two kahawai off the Kiritehere Beach.
- The rental van requiring an overhaul of its fuel system.
- The excellent catering and cooking of Mr and Mrs Gunn.
- The cheerful assistance of Mr Anderson.

The boys and staff returned home very tired, the staff being much wiser about the workings of Bedford vans.

URUTI

The camp at Uruti was this year a trial for all involved. The mettle of the staff (Mr Bayly, Mr Armstrong, Mr Elgar and Mr and Mrs Swindells) was tested to the full as they lounged about in the farmhouse, uncomfortable in the knowledge that, due to lack of tents, they were unable to enjoy the challenge of camping in the rain.

Inclement weather for the first two days meant cancellation of a proposed ("John Wayne") camp-out under the stars; and turned the war games into a flour and water spectacular that saw many ghostly figures return to their tents.

The spirits of the boys brightened as the sun came out, and after the shoot-out at the OK Corral and a round of Robin Hood on the back lawn the staff were able to get their annual laugh on the obstacle (confidence) course.

The final night saw a sumptuous barbecue and then a viewing of the Dirty Dozen, before the dirty three dozen packed up to return home.

A. Elgar

OLD BOYS' NEWS

AUCKLAND BRANCH NEWS

The biennial Old Boys' Dinner held the night before the Auckland Grammar match in August was again a very successful evening with more than sixty Old Boys present. Much appreciated was the attendance of Headmaster, Tom Ryder, and Old Boy and Chairman of the Board of Governors, John McIntyre and in rousing speeches by both gentlemen, we were brought up to date with the school's many activities and achievements.

Currently the Auckland Committee consists of John Syme (1958-62), Dick Still (1948-52), Alan Fowles (1941-43), John Caldwell (1956-61), Allan Faull (1960-61), Ron Harrison (1939-42), Vince Leonard (1960-63), Murray Hooker (1940-45), Bruce Fraser (1958-61), Ian Manby (1947-51), Rob Cook (1958-61), Graham McGlashan (1951-54) and Wayne Dyer (1955-59).

Others at the dinner included **Craig Saxton** (1950-54), formerly Manager of Air New Zealand in London, now writing a novel, **Bob Wynyard** (1946-48), who is President of the Carbine Club, **Bob Thompson** (1939-43), recently returned from the United States into retirement, and **John Graham** (1948-52), Headmaster of Auckland Grammar.

Newly-arrived in Auckland is **Murray Kidd** (1966-71), now with the Auckland Savings Bank. Murray is using his rugby skills in promoting the sport with Auckland school children. **Frank Larking** (1939-44) is still one of North Shore's characters and is actively engaged on the restoration of one of the harbour's many beaches. **Gavin Faull** (1966), Managing Director of Hyatt Kingsgate and **Garry Mace** (1954-58), of Tasman Pulp and Paper regularly appear in the business news, while on the motor-racing front is the well-performed **Mark Petch** (1958-61).

Keen stalwarts at Eden Park rugby matches are **Bruce Bell**, New Zealand player and authority on bridge, and Noel 'Wig' Gardiner, busy author (both 1924-28). **Peter Churchouse** (1958-62), is not seen so often but is regularly broadcasting on Stock Exchange affairs and **Terry McLean** (1920s) contributed an apt and entertaining article on NPBHS/Grammar rugby in the New Zealand Herald prior to the match.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Once again the tournament in North Taranaki was held at the Kaitake Golf Club. A pleasing field of seventy seven took part, twelve of whom were ladies. It is proposed that next year's tournament will be at Kaitake in the last Sunday of the May School holidays.

The 1986 prize winners were: Alexander Trophy — Ian McCallum (by lot from brother Bruce and Rocky Lawrence) Peter Powell Memorial Cup — Gary Cave (for the second year in succession).

Senior Stableford:

- 1 Bruce McCallum
- 2 Ian Foreman
- 3 Ray Rowson
- 4 Bryce Gordon
- 5 Lloyd Edwards

Junior Stableford:

- 1 Ron Lawrence
- 2 Ron Kahukare
- 3 George Sibsten
- 4 Dave Mossop
- 5 Jack Cooper

Longest Drive: Ray Rowson

Nearest The Pin: Brian Chong

NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVE

Two Old Boys represented New Zealand at the last Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh — Murray Day (Walking) and John Murtagh (Bowls). Their success has prompted the publishing of a list of Old Boys who have been chosen to represent New Zealand. It has been compiled by Max Carroll.

The list is certainly not yet complete, the school would welcome additional information.

NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES

RUGBY: (ALL BLACKS)

Bayly Alfred (Taranaki) 1893-94-97
 Stohr Leonard B. (Jack) (Taranaki) 1910-13
 Sinclair R. G. B. (Otago) 1923
 Brown Handley Wellbourne (Taranaki) 1924-26
 Mackay J. D. (Wellington) 1928
 Brown Henry Mackay (Auckland) 1935
 Wynyard James G. (Waikato) 1935-38
 Beattie George Edward (Taranaki) 1950
 Briscoe Kevin Charles (Taranaki) 1959-60-62-63
 Crossman Graeme M. (Bay of Plenty) 1974-76
 Gardiner Ashley John (Taranaki) 1974
 Graham David John (Canterbury) 1958-60-61-62-63-64
 McEldowney John Thompson (Taranaki) 1976-77
 Reid Alan Robin (Waikato) 1951-52-56-57
 Roper Roy Alfred (Taranaki) 1949-50
 Wolfe Thomas Neil (Wellington-Taranaki) 1961-62-63-68
 Urbahn Roger James (Taranaki) 1959-60
 Mourie Graham Neil Kenneth (Taranaki) 1976-77-78-79-80
 Donaldson Mark William (Manawatu) 1977-78-79-80
 Old Geoffrey Haldane (Taranaki-Manawatu) 1980
 Middleton Bruce (Wanganui) 1980
 Johns Peter Arthur (Wanganui) 1968
 Bryce Robbins (Taranaki) 1985

CRICKET

N. M. Miller, E. M. Meuli, M. P. Donnelly, J. F. M. Morrison, A. B. Jordan G. Robertson.

BADMINTON

R. Purser 1961-81; B. Purser 1969-81.

SURF LIFE SAVING

I. Logan 1950; D. Lang 1952-54-56 (Captain); A. T. Priest 1954-56; G. Dempsey, W. Penwarden, W. Clow, T. Corrin, J. Velvin, D. Knappman.

BOWLS

D. Baldwin, J. Murtagh.

SOCCER

G. Dodds

FENCING

J. Crawford

VOLLEYBALL

R. M. Pearce

YACHTING

Andrew Morrison 1982

SWIMMING

Barrett R. Bond 200m Backstroke, 200m Individual Medley

SKIING

Warwick Brown 1976-80

POLO

Edward Kay 1954-58-59; M. K. James, N.Z. Captain both in Australia and NZ 1958-64-72; Stephen Kay 1982

RUGBY LEAGUE

R. J. (Scotty) McKay 1952-60

BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

Brien J. Bennett 1951-54, World Amateur Snooker Champs in Wales 1972, World Amateur Billiards Champs in Auckland 1975, World Amateur Billiards Champs in Sri Lanka 1978.

News has been received of DOUGLAS KENRICK (1926-28) who attended our Centennial. He was interviewed in Tokyo by Alan Goodall (NZ Herald 18.6.86). Mr Kenrick although aged 74, still runs the business Douglas Kenrick Far East Ltd with a \$500 million plus turnover. One branch of that is Character Merchandising which licenses to companies marketing in Japan the right to use copyrighted characters such as Tweety Pie, Sylvester the Cat, Bugs Bunny, Superman and the Smurfs. He is also an authority and author on prehistory Japanese pottery and is Senior Vice-President of the Asiatic Society.

DEREK ROSE (1934-36) is at present Acting Chief Executive of Tele Com one of the three divisions of the Post Office. He joined the Post Office Engineering Branch in 1950 and was appointed to Post Office administration in 1976. Mr Rose has led New Zealand delegations to numerous international meetings and in 1975 was elected chairman of the Regional Administration Radio Conference of the International Telecommunication Union in Geneva.

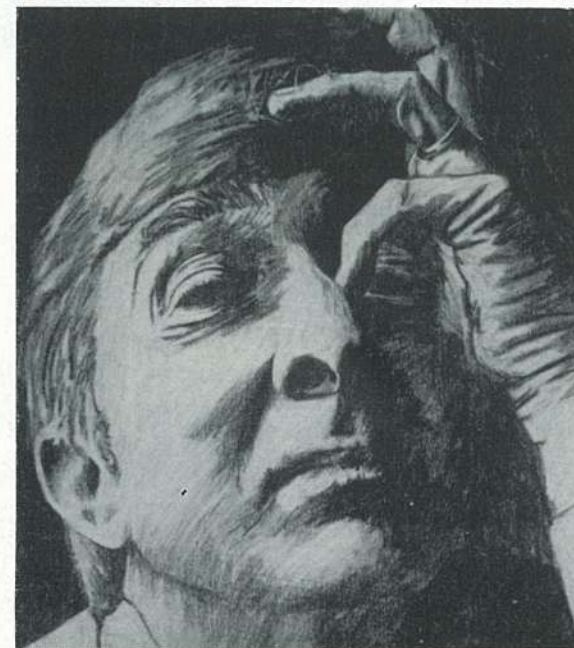
He is New Zealand's permanent representative on the Commonwealth Telecommunications Council, was vice-chairman in 1980 and 1981, and is at present chairman of the council and of its board of management.

He is also chairman of the ANZCAN Management Committee responsible for the implementation of the ANZCAN trans-Pacific submarine telephone cable.

He is past chairman of the Wellington Branch of the Institution, and a senior member of the executive of the Standards Association of New Zealand.

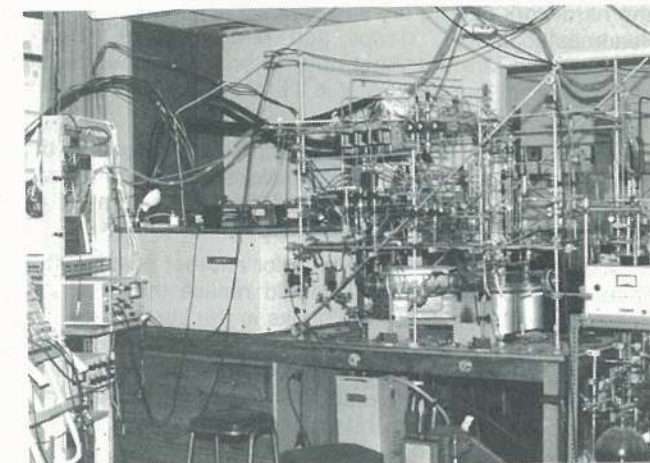
Mr Rose is the author of several papers including some related to the social aspects of new technology.

The Annual Conference of the Amateur Radio Association was held this year in New Plymouth, and incidentally, in the School Hall. One who attended was RAY HANLEY (ZL2G2) who began his interest when he arrived at the school from England in 1926. He brought with him a home-made three valve Remartz receiver and was allowed the use of the Agricultural lab for the novelty in those days of "wireless". Quite a number of masters and boys became involved and started a Wireless Club, with the blessing of the Headmaster, Mr Moyes. Some original members of the club included MARK CHURTON, GORDAN MACDIAMOND, BILL LEVER, JACK MURRAY, CYRIL PALMER, BILL CRESWELL. RAY AND GEO REAKES are still active in the radio world.



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We have had news of JOHN A. HARRISON, Dux 1982. This year he has started his Ph. D. at Canterbury and is working on the thesis: Experimental and Theoretical Studies of Fast Reactions. The experiments typically involve using ultraviolet light from a pulsed gas laser to fragment stable molecules and then monitoring one of the fragments produced as it reacts with other molecules.



John Harrison's laboratory

OBITUARIES

OWEN BALSOM, a former Taranaki County Council chairman, Justice of the Peace and long term cricket administrator died 2.2.86. After leaving NPBHS he ran a local freight-carrying business until the early 1950s, after which he went farming on the family sheep and dairy property in Mangorei Rd. Mr Balsom served on the County Council for nearly seventeen years and spent two terms from 1977 to 1983 as chairman. He was a life member of the Taranaki Cricket Association and was chairman of that too for a period.

RONALD CRAY CARR (62) died 20.5.86 (at school 1939-41). He was a respected senior building tutor at the Taranaki Polytechnic. He joined the Royal New Zealand Air Force in 1944 and in 1947 he took up an apprenticeship. Three years later he served in the Korean War. After starting work as a carpenter after the war, Mr Carr went to Australia to work in a shipping yard in 1959. In 1974 Mr Carr joined the Polytechnic and taught there until this year. He was a past president and executive member of the RSA.

STAN GRAYLING (88), former New Plymouth deputy mayor and solicitor died on 1.2.86. He served the community for more than fifty years and was awarded the MBE for his services. He began his career as a law clerk in 1914 and served in France with a rifle brigade. He later became a partner in the legal firm of Weston, Ball and Grayling and after World War II set up the firm of Grayling and Gilbert.

CLIFFORD JACK STACE (75), a former Maori Land Court Judge, died in June 1986. Mr Stace began his public service career with the Stamp Duties Department in 1928. He was Commissioner of the Maori Land Court from 1958-61 and had extensive experience in the land court of Taranaki, King Country and Wanganui districts. From 1960-62 he was chief judge in the Cook Islands High Court and served five years on the Public Service Appeal Board. He will be remembered for his quick wit and compassionate judgment.

LIBRARY NOTES

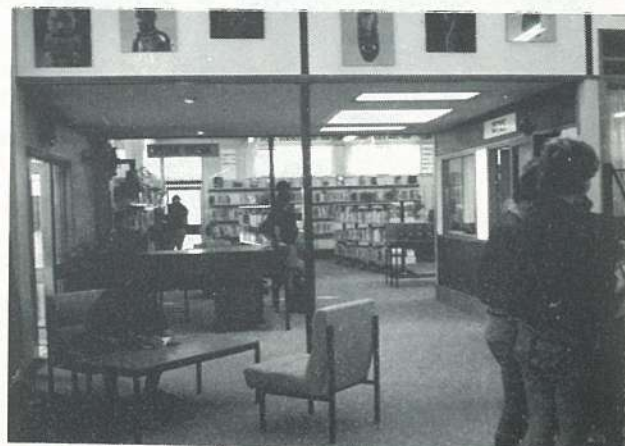
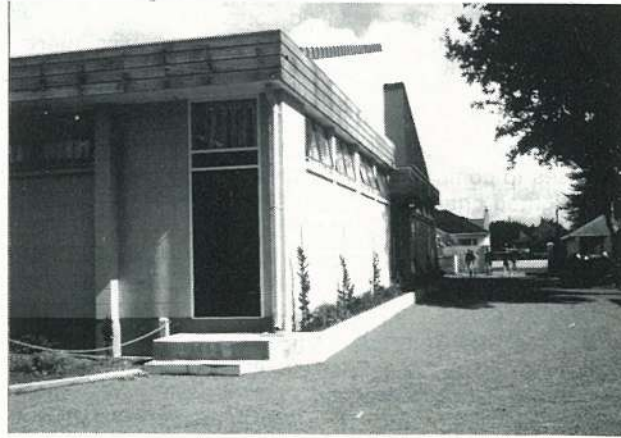
1986 has been an interesting and exciting year. A far cry from the cold and drab old building, the new library is a warm and pleasant place to work. This change in atmosphere has been appreciated by large crowds of boys over the winter months.

The rather eye-catching colour scheme, the comfortable furniture, the spectacular signs and the large influx of new and interesting books are a tribute to the determination and hard-work of a library sub-committee composed of the Headmaster, Mr T. Heaps and Mrs V. Bone, (Board member) and Mrs Van Beers the librarian. Without the efforts of these four people, the library would not be the place it is.

Certainly use of the library has improved and so has the book stock, due to generous donations from parents and the Board. However there is room for greater and more efficient use of the library and this is my aim for 1987.

I wish to thank Jean Van Beers for another year of often unappreciated labour. Boys should realise that Mrs Van Beers knows more about the books in the library than any other person, and is more than willing to share this knowledge. My thanks also go to Head Librarian Karl Philips and to all the librarians, especially the senior boys. I look forward to the same help and enthusiasm next year.

A. E. ELGAR
Teacher Librarian



The Minister of Education opens the Library ...

